THE WEATHER.

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FIRST PHASE IN THE CHASE FOR VILLA IS VOID OF EXCITEMENT

Americans, Beginning the Second Chapter, Proceed Farther into the Heart of Mexico.

CENSORSHIP IS MORE RIGID

Some Fighting Against Bandits Expected—Villa Nearing His Mountain Haunts.

CRISIS WITH MEXICO PAST

Americans Tell of Hardships in Exodus From Torreon.

El Paso, Tex., March 18. — The first phase of the American expedition into Mexico — the rush along Villa's dim trail to the endangered Mormon colonies, was an accomplished fact tonight—completed, according to reports reaching the Columbus base, without the firing of a hostile shot by the Americans.

The second phase already was beginning, it was indicated here, as the Americans turned somewhere from Casas Grandes to resume their mighty marches toward the rough mountain slopes where it is known Villa already has preceded them with more than 100 miles start.

Some Fighting Indicated.

Warning that this second act in the chase might not pass without fighting against bandits was implied in a new and more stringent censorship imposed at Columbus. Further leakage of news of military movements, the censor said frankly to the American press, would be likely to cost soldiers' lives. An order was issued holding newspaper correspondents accountable for dispatches under the national defense act.

There was brief excitement tioday at Columbus. From across the Mexican border, two soldiers on stretchers were brought into the American camp. Both were cavalrymen. Excitement passed when it was learned that one had been thrown from his horse, injuring his leg, while the other, who at first was said tto have been shot in the abdomen, was found to be suffering from stomach-ache.

When Washington announced that the American columns did not intend to occupy cities, a menace to Mexican national pride was removed. The Carranza garrisons which have been passed by the marching Americans and which therefore are now in the Americans' rear on their flanks, continued tranquil, so reports to El Paso indicated.

Crisis With Mexico Past.

General Gabriel Gavira, at Juarez, commanding the territory through which for three days the Americans have been penetrating, himself announced that for a time the situation as reported to him had been delicate and even serious. With evident relief, he said the crisis had passed. This crisis, it is believed, reached its height last night, when a courier dashing into Casas Grandes, announced with careless enthusiasm that the American troops would enter that city by midnight. General Gavira wired immediate orders to his troops not tot permit this.

Dawn showed the long lines of cavalry horses just outside Colonia Dublan, their troopers dismounted and in camp, at rest.

Villa was located today with some degree of definiteness. From several sources constitutionalists received messages, all of which placed him in approximately the same portion of western Chihuahua. These dispatches had him nearly due south of the American columns present known positions and close to the Sierra Tarrahumare mountains. By all accounts, he is more than 100 miles ahead of the Americans, about the same distance he has been out of their reach for a week, but with one possibi yimportant difference, that while heretofore the Americans have been riding on a somewhat cold trail, they are now nearing ground which Villa very recently passed over and where they may have practical opportunity to test the temper of the rural Mexicans from which they might receive valuable information.

Villa Expected to Fight.

The story that Villa is gathering men and preparing to resist was revived in constitutionalist circles today, and he was even said to have 10,000,000 rounds of cartridges and shells, many of home manufacture, secreted in the mountains where he was expected to make a stand.

Doubt that Villa will do anything was expressed, however, by Andreas Garcia, the Mexican consul here, who claimed that Villa intends to make the American expeditionary force a joke. Garcia said he was convinced the bandit had no intention of fighting Americans.

"One of my men," he said, "has brought me positive information that Villa is disbanding his men and intends to hide in the mountains with three or four of his trusted followers and defy the Americans to find him. An army might wander in that region for years and never find a man like Villa.

"I am convinced that Villa intends to play hide and seek with the Ameri-

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GOOD NEWS COMES FROM EXPEDITION

Reassuring Advices Reach State and War Departments From the Troops in Mexico.

CONDITIONS ARE IMPROVED

General Funston Files Request to Transport American Troops Over Mexican Railways—Refugees Reach Vera Cruz.

Washington, March 18.—Reassuring advices came to the State and War Departments today from Mexico. The official reports indicated that the American troops thus far had encountered no Villa followers, though it was indicated a brush with them might be expected soon; and consular dispatches told of quiet conditions elsewhere throughout Mexico.

The State Department advices, which included a dispatch saying conditions were improving about Tampico were laid before President Wilson tonight by Acting Secretary Polk. Mr. Polk also conferred with Elsio Arredondo, General Carranza's ambassador designate, but neither official would discuss their talk except to say that reference had been made to a shipment of munitions the defacto government is anxious to get to Vera Cruz from New York.

A request by General Funston that the American forces be permitted to use Mexican railways for troop transportation was forwarded late today to Consular Agent Rogers for presentation to General Carranza at Queretaro. Officials here closely associated with the defacto government, are understood to believe that Carranza will be strongly advised by many of his followers against granting the request as it would arouse the public sentiment against the defacto government, seriously affecting the control it has established over the native population.

The report of better condition at Tampico and in the adjacent oil fields where the situation for several days past has been a cause of some concern, brought the information that previous apprehension had been caused by the failure of the military authorities to receive from the defacto government an understanding of why American troops had crossed the border. It was said that as soon as accurate information reached Tampico improvement in general condition was apparent.

A development regarded in Mexican quarters here as likely to do much toward assuring continued co-operation be ween the Mexican defacto government and American troops was an announcement by the War Department that the orders under which the punitive expedition entered Mexico did not authorize occupation of any Mexican cities. It was said he purpose of the expedition did not necessitate any such occupation, which border dispatches have indicated might be misjudged by the Mexican public.

Navy Department reports today from Vera Cruz say about 200 Americans from Mexico City and other interior points have arrived there, most of them acting upon advices from friends and relatives i nthe United States urging them to leave Mexico. Conditions at Vera Cruz, the message said, are quiet, and many of the Americans after personal investigations of reports as to the situation, are returning to the interior.

Reports tonight from various points along the border, particularly in the vicinity of El Paso, told of efforts by some Americans and Mexican in that territory to convey into interior Mexico an impression that the American expedition was the forerunner of intervention. Every effort to counter act the effect of such activities is being made by administration officials, dispatches are going forth constantly to consular officers with the purpose of reassuring the Mexican people. Most of the War Department's dispatches today from the border were of a technical military nature and were not given out. Secretary Baker left for Cleveland, Ohio, late in the day and Major General Scott, chief staff and acting secretary, kept in touch with the department until a late hour tonight.

REPUBLICAN CONVENTION IS SCENE OF RIOTOUS TUMULT.

Factional Rivalries Cause Trouble at Meeting at Muskogee, Okla.

Muskogee, Okla., March 18.—Factional rivalries made the Muskogee county Republican convention today a scene of riotous tumult, which was not ended until J. C. Denton, one of two rival chairmen, was pulled from the desk upon which he stood and arrested, charged with carrying concealed weapons. With his arrest, the supporters of J. J. McGraw, of Ponca City, candidate for National committeeman, withdrew, and the adherents of James Harris, of Wagoner, rival candidate for the same position, continued their deliberations.

Washington, March 18.—The income tax will place in the United States treasury this year approximately $100,000,000, or $15,000,000 more than was estimated last fall, according to preliminary estimates compiled today by the Internal Revenue Bureau. Returns last year were about $80,000,000 and the new figure is a record.

GENERAL PERSHING MAY CHANGE PLANS

Failure of Villa to Resist Would Cause Methods Used in Pursuit to be Altered.

TRYING TO FORCE A FIGHT

Bandit Chief Believed to be in Galeana District South of Casas Grandes. American Forces May Know His Location.

San Antonio, March 18.—Failure of Francisco Villa to make a stand and fight before the end of next week will radically alter the methods employed by the commander of the United States punitive expedition.

What General Pershing's plan is, however, has not been revealed and will not be if General Funston can prevent it. Every effort will be made to keep secret the movements of the troops if it becomes necessary to abandon the direct line of pursuit with the units of the little army practically intact.

When General Pershing led the expeditionary force into Mexica the juncture of troops near Casas Grandes was planned with little expectation that Villa would be sighted before this time. It was realized that the only chance to catch him at that stake was that he would resist the advance. Not only did he not do that, but, according to General Funston's reports, not a shot was fired at the invaders.

General Pershing's scouts may have brought him information as to Villa's location, but such information as has been received at the general headquarters make an assertion on the subject little better than a guess. There is reason to believe that Villa is somewhere in the Galeana district, south of Casas Grandes, in the environs of which a cavalry force under Colonel Dodd rested today. Information from Chihuahua indicated that he was at Colonia Gracia, but most of those reporting contented themselves by placing him "in the mountains from 60 to 100 miles south of the Texas border."

To force Villa to trap him or fight in his many hiding places now has become the object of General Pershing.

Unofficial reports that General Pershing did not insist upon sending his cavalry force to Casas Grandes, after General Gavira had intimated such entry would meet resistance, lowered the tension at General Funston's headquarters. General Funston was convinced that General Pershing would not pass through any Mexican town unless he regarded it as a military necessity, but in such case he would endorse the action on the spot.

General Pershing continued his routine reports, none of them dealing with unusual incidents.

General Funston today replied to thousands of petitioners from scores of towns in Texas where the inhabitants wanted troops for protection, that it would be impossible to grant their wishes. He suggested that it might be well to organize local defense forces.

The local automobile club called a meeting for next week to ascertain how many members will promise to turn over their automobiles in case they are desired by the W. Department.

Unusual activity of the Mexican defacto government in adding to its ammunition stores is shown in reports from border ports of entry which say shipments of rifle ammunition in carload lots have become common in the past three weeks.

COMMISSION ON COURT PROCEDURE PROCEEDS

Sends Out 10,000 Copies of Tentative Recommendations.

Desirous of Receiving Recommendations as to Revision Before Making Final Draft—Calvert Still in the Race—Primary Election.

Raleigh, N. C., March 18. — Two thousand or more copies of the tentative report and recommendations of the special commission on reform of courts and court procedure, Chief Justice Walter Clark, chairman, were recently sent into every part of the State to leading men and local officials with the expectation that they would read the recommendations of the commission and make suggestions along with endorsement or criticism of the action of the commission.

Now the members of the commission and Secretary W. S. Wilson are receiving very many letters in response to the appeal of the commission for criticisms and suggestions. It is a matter of gratification to the members of the commission that there seems to be a very general approval of the findings of the commission and some suggestions are coming in that will aid the members of the commission in their work of perfecting the report for the Governor and the 1917 Legislature.

The work of preparing the official notices and election return blanks for the State-wide all-party primaries to be held in June, is being done just now by W. S. Wilson, State legislative librarian, whose long experience with this work while corporation clerk to the Secretary of State especially fits him for the work. Mr. Wilson is also preparing for the State Board of Elec-

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FRENCH AIRMEN IN NUMEROUS ATTACKS

Paris Claims Many Explosions and Fires Were Caused at German Railroad Station.

LESS ACTIVITY AT VERDUN

Absence of Infantry Operations Reported by Both Sides—Plans for Important Movements Indicated in Russia.

RIBOT FORESEES END OF THE EUROPEAN STRUGGLE

Paris, March 18.—"We have reached the decisive hour," said Alexandre Ribot, minister of finance, speaking in the chamber of deputies last night on the financial and military situation.

"We can say without exaggeration, without illusion and without vain optimism, that we now see the end of this horrible war."

M. Ribot's utterances is taken to be of the utmost importance, as indicating official opinion with regard to the result of the Verdun battle. Whether peace is or is not probably nearer, it is unquestionable that the tension in France has relaxed and that men's thoughts are turned to the rapid development of events favorable to the Allies.

The German offensive at Verdun, now nearing the end of its fourth week, has again slackened decidedly, both Paris and Berlin reporting the continued absence of infantry operations by either side. The big guns in the vicinity of the fortress are intermittently pounding opposing positions, but the chief activity seems to be by the airmen.

Numerous raids by French aviators are reported by Paris, the points bombarded including the Conflans and Metz railroad stations. The showers of heavy shells dropped are declared to have caused numerous explosions and fires.

Elsewhere on the western front the artillery is the only military arm that has been occupied.

In Russia there are signs of preparations for movements of importance, particularly along the northern line.

The Austrians have turned on the Italians along the Isonzo. Vienna announces a successful attack north of the Tolino bridgehead in which Italian positions were captured, together with nearly 500 prisoners and three machine guns.

In Arabia the British report a defeat for a Turkish force which attacked an outpost near Aden.

London announces the torpedoing of the Dutch steamer Palembang, bound from Rotterdam to Java, off the Galloper light in the Thames estuary Saturday morning. The crew was reported saved.

LATE MEXICAN BULLETINS

Calexico, Cal., March 18.—Conditions in Lower California, and the territory adjacent to Calexico are not such as to cause alarm in connection with the present situation in Mexico, Estaban, Cantu, head of the military government at Mexicali said last night.

Torreon, Mex., March 18.—Fighting has been in progress since early yesterday between constitutionalists and Villistas at Canon Chorritos near Noe, in the Torreon dirtrict. The Villa commander is said to be Juan Madrid, and Canuto Reyes is said to be with him.

Marfa, Texas, March 18.—A messenger from Mexico arrived at Presidio this morning with a report that Villa bandits were mobilized to attack Presidio. Most of the American women left Marfa this afternoon.

Douglas, Ariz., March 18.—Francisco Villa, and a large number of bandits have been located near San Geronimo, Chihuahua, and are making their way to Namiquipa, in Western Chihuahua, near the town of Madera, according to telearam received today by Ives G. Lelevier, consul of the de facto Mexican government.

Mexico City, Mex., March 18.—The minister of war, General Obergon, issued a decree today declaring all participants in the Columbus raid outside the law. The decree gives the the right to any citizen to apprehend and kill, if necessary, the followers of Villa who crossed the American frontier.

BIG SHOW AT SAN DIEGO OPENS FOR SECOND YEAR.

Name Changed to Panama-California International Exposition.

San Diego, Cal., March 18.—The Panama-California International Exposition was formally thrown open today with twenty nations participating as exhibitors to justify the "International" which was added to the exposition's title for its second year of existence, and with approximately 20,000 visitors crowding its sunny courts.

THE DAY IN CONGRESS

SENATE

Met at noon.

Report on Chamberlain army reorganization bill submitted.

Senator Hardwick spoke on National defense.

Adjourned at 4:53 p. m. to noon Monday.

HOUSE

Met at 11 o'clock.

General debate on army bill resumed.

Adjourned at 4 p. m. to 11 a. m. Monday.

NEW YORK LAWYER IS KILLED BY WIFE

Arthur English Shot by Mrs. Eloise Young English, After Quarrel in Their Country Home

YOUNG DAUGHTER WITNESS

Mrs. English Claims Husband Had Threatened to Kill Her and That She Fired in Self Defense. She is Exonerated.

Frederick, Md., March 18.—Mrs. Eloise Young English shot and killed her husband, Arthur English, a lawyer of New York, at their home near here today. The shooting was done in the presence of their six-year-old daughter and is said to have occurred during a quarrel. English was the son of Thomas Dunn English, a former congressman from New Jersey and the author of the song "Ben Bolt."

Mrs. English claims that she shot in self defense, when her husband, in a fit of anger, pointed a revolver at her.

An examination of the body of English showed that a bullet had gone through the heart and that four other bullets had taken effect. The furniture in the room in which the body was found was in great disorder, indicating that a struggle had taken place.

Calls Doctor and Police.

After the shooting Mrs. English took her four children to the home of a neighbor to whom she related the story of the tragedy. She telephoned to a physician in Frederick to hurry to the side of her husband whom she said she had shot. She then called police headquarters in Frederick and asked that a warrant be sworn out for her husband who, she stated, had threatened to take her life. She also told the police that she had shot her husband.

Mrs. English was exonerated by a coroner's jury here tonight after she and three of her children had testified as to English's alleged brutality and frequent threats to kill her.

The young woman testified that while their two sons were cutting wood this morning she requested her husband to permit the elder boy to quit on account of illness. She said this angered her husband who began to smash dishes and furniture. Mrs. English secured a revolver, hid it in her dress, and later when her husband took his revolver and threatened to kill her, she testified, she emptied the five chambers of her revolver into his body.

Mrs. English was the daughter of the late McClintock Young, a Frederick inventor. She was one of the most attractive members of the younger social set of Frederick at the time of her marriage to Mr. English 16 years ago.

WAS TWICE MARRIED.

Arthur English Well Read in Law—Had Held Responsible Positions.

New York, March 18.—Arthur English was assitant United States attorney in the Department of the Interior from 1893 to 1897, when he resigned and resumed private practice in this city. He was one of the commissioners of the Hudson-Fulton Celebration in 1909. The present Mrs. English, whom he married in 1900, was his second wife, his first having died five years before. He had one son by his first marriage and three children, two sons and a daughter, by his second.

Mr. English was born in this city in 1862 and was a graduate of New York University. He studied Hindoo, Greek, Roman, Hebrew, English and Ameri-

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BASEBALL FRATERNITY IS FOR PREPAREDNESS

National Security League Receives Replies to Inquiries.

Yankees Believe in Compulsory Military Attendance—Connie Mack Says Only Adequate Defense Can be Our Safeguard.

New York, March 18.—Telegrams received by the National Security League in response to inquiries addressed to prominent members of the baseball fraternity throughout the country, indicate that all favor the movement for national defense, it was announced by officials of the Security League tonight.

Bill Donovan, manager of the New York Americans, said the Yankees believed in compulsory military service for one year for all youths attaining their majority. They also are for a federalized militia, Donovan added.

William F. Carrigan, manager of the Boston Americans, sent this message: "We believe in preparations, as far as training is concerned. That's why we are at the springs."

The Cincinnati club, which, according to Manager Herzog, is "composed of men of Irish, English, Scotch, Welsh, German and Italian descent, is unanimous in the belief that the United States should so arm itself that no other nation will venture to insult, bully or attack it."

Connie Mack, of the Philadelphia Americans, telegraphed: "Every citizen is a trustee of the blessings of liberty handed us by our forefathers. It is our highest duty to hand them intact to the next generation. Only an adequate military defense can be our safeguard."

Other messages were from Clark Griffith, of the Washington team; John McGraw, of the New York Giants; Joe Tinker, of the Chicago Nationals, and Patrick J. Moran, of the Philadelphia Nationals.

HOUSE IS VIRTUALLY UNANIMOUS IN FIGHT FOR BETTER DEFENSE

RAILROADS GRANT MACHINISTS RAISE

Complete Adjustment of Labor Difficulties in Southeastern Territory Reached.

PROBABLE STRIKE AVERTED

Workmen to Get Increase in Pay Ranging One to Three and One-Half Cents an Hour—Many Lines Are Affected.

Washington, March 18.—A complete adjustment of labor difficulties between the machinists and allied crafts and Southeastern railroads was reached here today by the representatives of the roads granting an increase in pay ranging from one to three and a half cents per hour and agreeing to establish a minimum rate of pay in all crafts.

The roads included in the adjustment are the Southern, Atlantic Coast Line, Seaboard Air Line, Norfolk & Western, Chesapeake & Ohio, Virginian, Richmond, Fredericksburg & Potomac, Central of Georgia, New Orleans & Northeastern, Alabama & Vicksburg; Vicksburg, Shreveport & Pacific, Mobile & Ohio, Georgia-Southern and Florida, Cincinnati, New Orleans & Texas Pacific and Alabama Great Southern.

The crafts included are the machinists, boiler makers, blacksmiths, car men, pipe fitters, sheet metal workers, apprentices and helpers.

Thirty representatives of the laboring men and eighteen representatives of the employers have been in conference in Washington since January 12, seeking to adjust the differences, which threatened to develop into a strike. A. O. Wharton, of St. Louis, was chairman of the conferees for the laboring men, and Horace Baker, chairman of the conferees representing the employers.

The last adjustment remained in force for three years and it is expected that the present one will be operative for at least a year. There is no time limit in the agreement itself.

SAYS ASSERTIONS OF INNES AND HIS WIFE ARE ABSURD

Governor Harris Says He Will Assure Prisoners Ample Protection.

Atlanta, Ga., March 18.—Governor Harris, of Georgia, tonight declared that the assertions of Victor E. Innes and his wife that they might meet with mob violence if they were brought to Atlanta for trial on larceny charges were absurd.

"There never has been the slightest suggestion that the Innes' would be harmed here," said Governor Harris. "I shall telegraph Governor Ferguson, of Texas, at once that Innes and his wife will receive ample protection and fair trial.

Governor Harris upon his return to the capital today found a telegram from Governor Ferguson saying that Innes had urged him not to honor the Georgia requisition papers approved by former Governor Colquitt. The Innes' said they had rectived anonymous letters from Marietta, Ga., threatening them with mob violence.

Victor E. Innes and his wife, who were acquitted in San Antonio of killing Mrs. Eloise Nelms Innes and her sister, Miss Beatrice Nelms, are wanted here on charges of larceny after trust in soms of money said to have been given to Innes by Mrs. Dennis.

PROOF OF DE FACTO POWER.

Gavira Cites Fact That No Resistence Has Been Given Americans.

El Paso, Texas, March 18.—General Gavira today issued a formal statement to the Associated Press at his headquarters at Juarez in which he interpreted the fact that no resistence had been offered to the American forces crossing the border as proof of the faith of the Mexican people in Carranza. The statements was as follows:

"The constitutionalist army has shown its force to the world by breaking the reactionary efforts of Diaz, Huerta and Villa.

"Now American troops have just crossed to our side of the line without protest of difficulties. To what then, is it to be attributed that the Mexican public,so scrupulous and extremely sensitive in all that concerns its sovereignty, has not protested in the vigorous form it knows well how to make?

"It is because the people of Mexico have faith in us; because they know well the patriotism and the sense of honor of the first chief, and of the higher officers, military and civil, who are in control. They know that such men would not barter away the fatherland. Could the American people wish a better proof of the power of the constitutionalist army that has been constituted by the men of the revolution?"

ADMITS HE IS C. F. MOTT

Peddlar Arrested at Marion, N. C., is Wanted in Syracuse, N. Y.

Charlotte, N. C., March 18.—Word was received here today of the arrest at Marion, N. C., last night of a man, who, according to the police, has admitted that he is Charles F. Mott, a supervisor, of Syracuse, N. Y. Mott, it was said, was wanted on charges of bribery and conspiracy. The prisoner was said to have been peddling household articles and the unusual offers he made are said to have led to his arrest.

Army Increase Bill Reaches the Amendment Stage—Detailed Debate to Begin Monday.

CLARK APPROVES MEASURE

Declares in Patriotic Speech That It is Satisfactory to the Average American.

PREDICTS NATION'S SUPPORT

Mann Attacks Bill as Being Adequate Only for Peace.

Washington, March 18. — With virtually unanimous declarations for preparedness, the House army increase bill reached the amendment stage today, after 10 hours of one-sided general debate. The House will begin discussion of details in earnest Monday, but there are indications that opposition to the measure as a change in National policy had collapsed. No opponent appeared during the debate except Meyer London, the Socialist representative from New York.

Senate Bill Monday.

The Senate's army bill also will come up Monday with administration leaders urging that the Senate side track all other business until it is disposed of. Interest centered tonight in President Wilson's attitude as between these two measures, which differ essentially.

Chairman Hay, of the House Military committee, described the House bill during debate today as "the President's own bill." Republican Leader Mann questioned the accuracy of this description.

"Doubtless the President favors the best he can obtain," said Mr. Mann. "I have no doubt he favors it over existing law."

Tonight President Wilson let it be known that while he approves the general features of the Hay bill, he has not committed himself to its details. Administration officials are looking to the conference committee which will adjust the House and Senate bills after passage, to produce a measure which will have the President's approval.

Clark Approves Bill.

Speaker Clark closed the general debate in the House, expressing approval of the Hay bill and declaring it was satisfactory to the average American and as good as could be expected under its circumstances. The nation as a whole, he said, wished to hold a middle course.

"They want peace," he said, "but not peace at any price. They want peace with honor. They believe thoroughly that there are things worth fighting for. They are not willing to bankrupt the country on military and naval preparations. They are, however, willing to spend all that is necessary for the public defense."

Representative Mann characterized the bill as "inadequate to the nation's needs," saying it would provide for preparedness for peace, not for war.

"I believe," he continued, "that it is the duty of the United States to prepare now an army which will add weight to diplomatic suggestions we make. The time has come when it is wise for us to consider the possibility, the probability, of the future and prepare now for what may come to us. If we do not, we may regret it to the end of our lives."

Representative Kahn, ranking Republican member of the committee, in closing the debate for the minority side, said that after all the first line of defense was the navy, and that it was more essential to put the navy on a footing where it could maintain control of the sea against any enemy than it was to build up an army. While the navy controlled the sea, he added, no invader could reach American shores.

Amendments Taken Up.

Consideration of amendments began immediately on the close of debate. The only change made today was to raise the rank of the chief of coast artillery from a brigadier general to major general. Amendment by Representative Gardner (Republican), of Massachusetts, to increase the committee's figures for additional men in the coast artillery corps from 17,000 to 22,000 was voted down without division but after considerable argument.

When the House adjourned Representative Kahn had pending an amendment proposing a total authorized peace strength of 220,000 for the regular army instead of the committee's figure of 140,000. It will be taken up Monday and a test vote may come over its disposition.

Representative Nicholls (Democrat), of South Carolina, during the debate in the House said the continental army scheme had seemed impractical to the committee, but the bill substituted the National Guard for that proposal and accomplished the same object in a practical way.

Representative Sherley, chairman of the Fortifications committee, said his seven years study of coast defenses had convinced him more men were needed.

Representative Mann attacked the bill as being inadequate.

Mann Declares Bill Inadequate.

"We are having a little trouble on the border of Mexico and are sending a few soldiers into that country," he said. "The time for this came after we had

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COLUMBUS IN THE GRASP OF CENSOR

Proprietor of Local Paper Says He Considered He Had No Right to Print Any News.

HIS PAPER CONTAINS NONE

Sixty Factory Mechanics Arrive to Set Up Motor Trucks—Expeditionary Force Taking Precautions Against Disease.

Columbus, N. M., March 18 (Passed by Censor)—Sixty factory mechanics who arrived today from Racine, Wis., to prepare the trucks for field use, caused excitement when, after being aboard the train several hours without food, they jumped to the ground, and with a shout started for the leading restaurant. Columbus forthwith became so excited that the military patrol was hurried to the spot.

Additional evidence of the tightening of the censorship was contained in the failure of the local paper to print anything today, its regular press day, except special notices. There was nothing else which the proprietor considered he had a right to print.

The local telephone company also was warned that only officers or men of the army whose names were included in a list provided should be permitted to use the long distance lines. The only civilians permitted to use the toll lines are residents of Columbus or persons well known to the telephone operators, newspaper correspondents being barred.

The arrival of the train load of motor trucks made it certain that the American forces in the field will be amply supplied wherever they may go.

It became known today that the American expeditionary force is taking every precaution against disease which has followed four long years of civil warfare in northern Mexico. All along the border, also, medical officers of the United States immigration service are taking care to prevent the introduction into the United States of smallpox which is rampant in Mexico, particularly in the western part of Sonora.

Arrest under the national defense law of 1911 will follow violations of the censorship order. All correspondents were obliged today to register and present credentials at military headquarters. Major Sample, the censor, frankly informed them that their services would be of little value here and intimated that the censorship may be extended to other border towns.

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can soldiers, with the intention of making their expedition ridiculous. He may make raids on liens of communication but he will never risk a real battle."

The rewards offered for Villa, in Garcia's opinion, are the best hope of ending the bandit's career.

"The news of these rewards will flash through the region," he said, "and I should be very much surprised if they do not bring some result.

Large Force Not Necessary.

"General Gutierrez told me he expected to have 15,000 men on Villa's trail within a week. Then there are 4,000 to 5,000 American troops. I do not believe that all these men are needed. What is needed is about five columns of 500 picked men a piece, in sufficiently close touch to render assistance to any one of them that Villa attacked. If they moved fast they would have a good chance to lay Villa by the heels."

Garcia denied emphatically that the people of Guerrero and Galeana are in sympathy with the fugitive. "Many of them are afraid of him, of course," he said, "because of the reign of terror he inaugurated there. But the Villa of today is not the Villa of five years ago. In the early part of his career, he was very liberal with the people about him, but when he began to gather power, he seized everything for himself. Those people have a long history of murders and attacks on their women to avenge."

North central Mexico, near Torreon and about Durango, furnished reports of a battle between small bands of outlaws and constitutionalist troops. One of these bands was credited with being a Villa organization. Nothing was available tonight upon the outcome of this fight.

Americans who dared not permit the use of their names, arrived here today with details of the hardships of their exodus.

"We met last Sunday," said one of them, "in a hotel in Torreon. Twenty Americans decided to stay behind and take their chances.

"On Monday there was no train. The officers of the garrison were not discourteous, but there was a feeling of resentment among the soldiers. On Tuesday morning we made up a train of box cars.

Thought Intervention Had Come.

"We left Torreon, because it looked as though intervention had come. We felt that if the constitutionalists retaliated we would be made prisoners and we knew that if Villa were to take the city we would be massacred.

"The food supply in Torreon is scant and the lower classes have little, if anything, though the people with money can buy pretty much what they wish. There are 10,000 unemployed men in Torreon.

"It is the lack of work that makes the Mexicans of the lower class follow soldiering at all.

"In the party that came up from Torreon, we had some 42 men, women and children. Of this number 22 were Americans, the remainder being Germans, French and English. At the junction point where one train went to Eagle Pass and the other to Laredo we met coaches full of Americans and foreigners coming out of Mexico City and San Luis Potosi. All the same story—they thought intervention had come and that it was better to be out of the country.

"Torreon has only a small garrison and it is difficult to say how many of the men are Villa sympathizers. Villa is said to have told persons coming into Torreon that he would take the city by March 25 and if he wanted to it would ve a very simple proposition."

Mrs. LeRoy S. Davis, wife of an American cattleman who has been missing since last October, today sought aid of the British consul at Tepic, Mexico, to search for her husband. Her letters to him have come back with the words across the face—cannot be found.

Aeroplanes Ready for Chase.

The Columbus camp was enjoying a lull today. Certain troops have been despatched "somewhere" and "certain others" have "arrived" and taken the places of those who have gone into the sand wastes lying south of the railway track. The aeroplanes have been tested out and seem to be awaiting transportation. The big special motor trucks used with the aeroplanes to follow the flights are just now busy carrying fodder, provisions and other supplies. The number of motor trucks will be materially increased soon, according to reports around the camp.

This morning reveille was blown at 5 o'clock in the cavalry camp, but when the people of Columbus turned out of bed, they found nothing but foot and hoof prints in what had been a populous corner of the camp. There were still plenty of soldiers on hand, and Columbus billiard rooms and soft drink places—the town is dry—daily take in enough to make the debt.

An automobile record between Denver and El Paso was made by Lieut. A. M. Graham, of the 11th cavalry, in answering the call to be with his regiment in Columbus by Thursday. He was on the road 55 hours, with seven hours sleep. He made the run alone.

Correspondents Are Silent.

The correspondents who have gone into Mexico with the expedition remained silent today on account of the censorship. It was said that most of them were under polite corral, along toward the rear, with the infantry. While this could not be verified, it was a fact that the only members of the correspondents' party whose presence has been definitely reported were far behind the vanguard at last reports. If any newspaper observers are among the leading columns, the censor has succeeded in hiding their movements much more effectively than he has cloaked the position of the troops.

Deming, N. M., was today included in the Columbus censorship area. Heretofore many correspondents whose dispatches were censored in Columbus have taken an hour's run to Deming, evading the censor. The price of this run jumped from $5 to $15 on account of the patronage.

Several additional scouts left El Paso today for Columbus to report to the military commander there.

VILLA HAD BOASTED.

Reported as Saying He Would Force Intervention in Mexico.

El Paso, Texas, March 18.—Villa boasted three months ago that he would force intervention by the United States, according to Harry Williams, of Chihuahua, an American mining man. Williams asserted that he had heard Villa make the boast on December 13 last when he was a prisoner of the bandit.

"I was one of 39 Americans employed on the mining property of the Madera company," said Williams. "We were all arrested because the pay of the Mexicans working under us had not arrived from Chihuahua. It amounted to $17,000 and the company was afraid to send it because they were certain it would be confiscated.

"Villa brought us to Chihuahua and I have never seen him in an uglier mood. We did not know whether we were going to be shot or not, but we were not by any means too optimistic. He told us, 'I am going to enforce intervention by the United States. The United States has recognized Carranza and must pay for it.'

"He demanded $31,000 from the company. I do not know whether it was paid or not, but we were released the next day after being warned to keep off the streets.

"I planned to leave on the train that was made up to take out the men of the Cusihuiriachic Mining Company. Fortunately I felt sick and could not go. The next day I heard of the massacre of the 18 Americans on the train at Santa Ysabel."

COMMISSION ON COURT PROCEDURE PROCEEDS

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tions a concise summary of the Statewide primary law that will be presented to the board when it meets in Raleigh March 25, for preliminary work to the adjustment of the machinery for the first State-wide primary the State has held.

Boosting Calvert Candidacy.

Walter Siler, Solicitor for the Fourth District, and a militant Calvert supporter for Attorney General, has been in the city for the past few days. Mr. Siler says that while his candidate is not making a spectacular campaign that his strength is growing all the while; that authentic reports from every section of the State show beyond all question that he is far ahead in the race at this time; that he is the second choice of the followers of Judge Carter, Col. Jones, and Mr. Self, and if the primary were held today he would certainly have a majority of all the votes cast. The people, Mr. Siler says, realize the fitness of Mr. Calvert, and his campaign is progressing as well as his most ardent friends could wish.

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HOUSE IS VIRTUALLY UNANIMOUS IN FIGHT FOR BETTER DEFENSE

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had troops on the border for four years in contemplation of that very thing. Yet when this trouble occurred these troops were not actually sent across the border until the House had passed a resolution ordering an increase of 20,000 men to take the places of the few soldiers who per chance might cross.

"Never was there a more apt illustration than that of the fact that the present army and the proposed increase in it while sufficient in times of actual peace would not be sufficient in time of war, or when any occasion arises for even miniature war, and today we have the greatest war of the ages going on."

Speaker Clark abandoned the chair and took the floor. He declared the bill was as good as could be expected under the circumstances and predicted it would have the general support of the country.

Summing up what he believed to be the view of the American people on the present situation, he said:

Speaks for American People.

"They want peace but not 'peace at any price.' They want 'peace with honor,' the sort of peace that Disraeli—the most brilliant Englishman since Lord Byron—boasted that he took home with him from the Congress of Berlin, 'peace with honor.'"

"While peace is the normal condition of Americans and while they love it most fondly and pray for it constantly, they believe thoroughly that there are things worth fighting for—a belief which they have demonstrated with guns in their hands on all proper occasions. They are sure, if need be, to do so again. They believe that the Revolutionary war and the war of 1812 were, on our parts, just and necessary wars.

"They do not intend to see this country turned into an armed camp. They are unalterably opposed, always have been and forever will be until the republic is on its last legs to a large standing army because while we have never had a big standing army here, they know full well in other countries huge standing armies have been one of the instruments of despotism.

"They are not willing to bankrupt the country in military and naval preparations. They are, however, willing to spend all that is necessary for the public defense.

"They are almost to a man against conscription in times of peace but they are for it should it become necessary in times of war.

"They have no desire or ambition to have our country pose as a great military power, and they have no intention of seeing it as helpless as China.

Will Fight for Defense.

"These hard headed Americans believe profoundly in the philosophy that 'an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure.' They are against a war of aggression but they will fly to arms any day in a war for defense. They do not covet their neighbor's lands and they do not intend that a foreign foe shall set foot on the sacred soil of the American republic.

"They know that the navy constitutes the first line of defense and that it has proved a veritable help in every time of trouble. They know that the cost of fortifications constitute the second line of defense and that observation of the war across the sea proves that battleships cannot batter down well constructed land defenses. They know that regulars, with such other troops as we can put into the field, constitute our third and last line of defense.

"In view of all these facts, beliefs, observations and desires, the average American is in favor of reasonable and adequate preparation by land and at sea not for the purpose of attacking any nation of the earth, for he believes with Thomas Jefferson in 'peace, commerce and honest friendship with all nations, entangling alliances with none.'

"What he wants is reasonable and adequate armaments by land and sea to repel attack of any and every nation under the sun, should any nation be so unwise as to attack us. While he is not eager to pay taxes, he is willing to foot the bills for reasonable and adequate preparedness. He will consider the Hay bill reasonable and adequate for our land forces.

National Character Misjudged.

"A great many people—I am not talking about foreigners—but about Americans—a great many people here at home sadly misjudge our national character. We are constantly told that this is the most peaceable nation beneath the stars. While we are the most peacable nation in the world we are at the same time the most martial. The proof of that seeming paradox is that in April, 1861, there were not 20,000 soldiers in America, while in April, 1865, the continent trembled beneath the iron heel of 2,000,000 of the finest soldiers the sun ever looked down upon, some in blue and some in grey. So it will be again should the occasion rise—which God forbid. We are 30,000,000 strong then; we number 100,000,000 now."

The speaker made no attempt to discuss the bill in detail.

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Mr. Frank Klima, of 2309 Ashland Ave., Baltimore, Md., wrote Dr. Caldwell recently that he had tried about everything without being helped until he got a bottle of Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin, which he considers the greatest known remedy for indigestion, constipation and stomach troubles.

MR. FRANK KLIMA.

Get a bottle of Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin from your druggist and keep it in the house. A trial bottle, free of charge, can be obtained by writing to Dr. W. B. Caldwell, 454 Washington St., Monticello, Ill.

Washington, March 18.—The Department of Commerce has requested the State Department to inform all interested governments that Section 11 of the Seamens law will be held applicable to ships of all nationalities without regard to existing treaty relations.

Statement
SCOTTISH UNION & NATIONAL INS. CO.
Edinburgh, Scotland.
Condition December 31, 1915, as shown by Statement Filed.

Amount of Capital Deposit	$ 200,000.00
Amount of Ledger Assets December 31st of previous year, Total	6,494,501.91
Income—From Policyholders, $254,680.03; Miscellaneous, $296,688.37; total	2,811,368.40
Disbursements—To Policyholders, $1,232,792.60; Miscellaneous, $1,123,575.71; Total	2,356,368.31
ASSETS	
Value of real estate	$ 213,028.36
Mortgage Loans on Real Estate	122,300.00
Value of Bonds and Stocks	5,658,207.48
Deposited in Trust Companies and Banks on interest	378,049.20
Agents' balances, representing business written subsequent to October 1, 1915	556,699.34
Agents' balances, representing business written prior to October 1, 1915.	21,217.62
Interest and Rents due and accrued	106,863.54
Total	$ 7,056,3[illegible]
Less Assets not admitted..	295,695.09
Total admitted Assets	$ 6,760,670.45
LIABILITIES	
Net amount of unpaid losses and claims	$ 214,322.00
Unearned Premiums	2,588,175.72
Salaries, rents, expenses, bills, accounts, fees, etc., due or accrued	2,000.00
Estimated amount payable for Federal, State, county and municipal taxes due or accrued	50,000.00
Contingent commissions, or other charges due or accrued	10,000.00
Reinsurance and return premiums due other companies	12,669.63
Total amount of all Liabilities except Capital	$ 2,876,507.35
Capital Actually paid up in Cash $200,000.00	
Surplus over all Liabilities $3,684,163.10	
Surplus as regards Policyholders	3,884,163.10
Total Liabilities	$ 6,760,670.45
Business in North Carolina During 1915	
Fire Risks written, $3,406,023; Premiums received.	$ 24,126.99
Losses incurred—Fire, $13,775.20; Paid	17,791.60

U. S. Manager, J. H. Brewster.
Home Office in U. S., Hartford, Conn.
Attorney for service, S. M. Boatwright, Wilmington, N. C.
Manager for North Carolina, U. S. Office.

State of North Carolina,
Insurance Depardtment,
Raleigh, Feb. 2, 1916.

I, James R. Young, Insurance Commissioner, do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct abstract of the statement of the Scottish Union & National Insurance Company, of Edinburgh, Scotland, filed with this Department, showing the condition of said Company on the 31st day of December, 1915.

Witness my hand and official seal the day and date above written.

J. R. YOUNG,
Insurance Commissioner.

Statement
QUEEN FIRE INS. CO. OF AMERICA
New York
Condition December 31, 1915, as shown by Statement Filed.

Amount of Capital paid up in cash	$ 1,000,000.00
Amount of Ledger Assets December 31st of previous year; total	10,672,407.80
Income—From Policyholders, $5,305,243.55; Miscellaneous, $400,063.53; Total	5,705,307.08
Disbursements—To Policyholders, $2,652,983.25; Miscellaneous, $2,455,733.84; Total	5,108,717.09
ASSETS	
Mortgage Loans and Real Estate	$ 63,000.00
Value of Bonds and Stocks	9,849,334.01
Cash in Company's Office..	3,841.75
Deposited in Trust Companies and Banks not on interest	750.99
Deposited in Trust Companies and Banks on interest	470,943.36
Agents' balances, representing business written subsequent to October 1, 1915	837,441.76
Agents' balances, representing business written prior to October 1, 1915.	23,475.50
Bills receivable, taken for fire risks	30.09
Interest and Rents due and accrued	100,073.44
All other Assets, as detailed in statement	20,379.83
Total	$11,369,071.23
Less Assets not admitted.	495,861.40
Total admitted Assets	$10,873,209.83
LIABILITIES	
Net amount of unpaid losses and claims	$ 493,705.59
Unearned Premiums	4,674,971.58
Salaries, rents, expenses, bills, accounts, fees, etc., due or accrued	5,334.34
Estimated amount payable for Federal, State, county and municipal taxes due or accrued	116,326.87
Contingent commissions, or other charges due or accrued	16,394.00
All other Liabilities, as detailed in statement	28,372.49
Total amount of all Liabilities except capital	$ 5,335,650.87
Capital Actually paid up in Cash $1,000,000.00	
Surplus over all Liabilities $4,537,558.96	
Surplus as regards Policyholders	5,537,558.96
Total Liabilities	$10,873,209.83
Business in North Carolina During 1915	
Fire risks written, $2,671,640; Premiums received.	$ 30,526.29
Losses incurred—Fire, $12,019.29; Paid	12,331.29

President, E. F. Beddall.
Secretary, Everett S. Bartow.
Home Office, New York City.
Attorney for service, Walker Taylor, Wilmington, N. C.
Manager for North Carolina, S. Y. Tupper, Atlanta, Ga.

State of North Carolina,
Insurance Department,
Raleigh, Feb. 5, 1916.

I, James R. Young, Insurance Commissioner, do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct abstract of the statement of the Queen Insurance Company of America, New York, filed with this Department, showing the condition of said Company on the 31st day of December, 1915.

Witness my hand and official seal the day and date above written.

J. R. YOUNG,
Insurance Commissioner.

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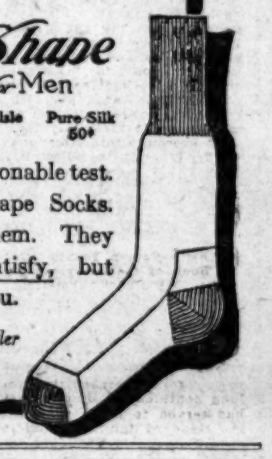

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GENERAL

MORAN HAS A NARROW ESCAPE FROM INJURY

Trolley Car Crashes Into Automobile Driven by Him.

Every Seat, Except Gallery Reservations, for Bout Next Saturday Night Disposed of—Boxers Under Brisk Practice.

New York, March 18.—Frank Moran, challenger of Jess Willard for the heavyweight championship, had a narrow escape from injury today when a trolley car collided with the automobile he was driving. Moran was driving ahead of the trolley car and slowed up suddenly to avoid collision with a cross-town car. The car behind crashed into his machine. Moran jumped and escaped injury.

Chairman Wenck, of the New York State Athletic Commission, stated today that the arrangements made for the Willard-Moran bout next Saturday night are satisfactory.

The sale of tickets has been so brisk that every seat has been disposed of with the exception of gallery reservations which will be put on sale next Thursday.

Willard took a brisk walk and a couple of short runs in Central Park this morning. Later he went through about ten minutes with the pulleys, punching the bag and shadow boxing. He boxed three rounds each with Hempel, Monahan and Rodel and then wrestled with Rodel for three minutes. The champion worked fast all the way.

Moran celebrated his 29th birthday by taking a three-mile run early in the morning. He took only light gymnasium exercises this afternoon and boxed five rounds in all with his three sparring partners. The Pittsburg man never looked in better condition. He turned the scales today at 201 pounds.

REACH'S 1916 GUIDE.

In Thirty-Fourth Yearly Official Handbook of the American League.

The 1916 Reach American League Guide—the official handbook of the great major league presided over by famous Ban Johnson—has just made its ever-welcome appearance, thus ushering in one more baseball season; a function which it has fulfilled each spring for 34 consecutive years. This long continuation of publication alone has served to make the Reach Guide the standard annual publication of the baseball world, without considering the merits of the contents of the book, which is edited by Francis C. Richter, the veteran baseball writer and authority. This year the Guide has been rearranged, being grouped into four distinct sections, a method that makes it especially easy to search out matters of reference and record. Probably of equal importance with the new arrangement is the article dealing with the settlement of the baseball war and the return of the sport to its old stable basis.

The 1916 Reach Official American League Guide also contains the most important requisite to give it official stamp and public value, namely, the revised and correct uniform Playing Rules Code for 1916, together with the 1916 championship schedules of the American League, National League and various important minor leagues. In short, everything of interest or value either for record or reference will be found within the covers of this great book, which is thus really a complete history of baseball in 1915. The Reach American League Guide for 1916 is for sale by all newsdealers at 10 cents the copy.

CLUB OFFERS PRIZE FOR THE FIRST CHANNEL BASS OF SEASON

Anglers Looking Forward to Early Opening of Fishing Season.

In accordance with its annual custom, the New Hanover Fishing Club, through the chairman of the contest committee, announces a prize of $5 worth of fishing tackle to the member landing the first channel bass or drum this season.

The first channel bass of the 1914 fishing season was landed on March 17th, while last year the first bass was landed April 12th. The past winter has been milder than the average, and now that the time for a cessation of cold weather is at hand, the anglers looked forward to an early opening of the fishing season.

Many of the fishermen have already expressed their intention of wetting a line within the next week or ten days, provided the weather remains favorable, and the prize for the first fish will be eagerly sought after this year.

In order to be eligible to compete for this prize, all club members must have paid their dues for the current year. That is, if a member catches the first fish, he would not be allowed to enter it unless he had previously paid his dues. Mr. A. J. Mitchell is treasurer, and all dues are paid to him.

The club now has a membership of over 175, and it is growing all the time.

A. & M. Wins First From Oak Ridge

SCORE OF TECHS' OPENING GAME AT RALEIGH YESTERDAY 4 TO 1—BATTING CONSTITUTES FEATURES.

(Special Star Telegram.)

Raleigh, N. C., March 18.—A. and M. won the opening game of her baseball season here this afternoon from Oak Ridge by a score of 4 to 1. The only features of the game were the batting of Winston, Wheeler, Hodgins and Richardson. A. & M. scored in the first inning when Hodgins, first up, walked, advanced to second on Wharton's out, and scored, Winston slashing a single to left field.

The Techs scored again in the third inning, when Hodgin led off with a triple to the right field bleachers and scored on Wheeler's two-base hit. The other two scores came in the fifth inning, due to Hodgins' walk and two-base hits by Wheeler and Winston. Oak Ridge's lone tally came in the third inning when Richardson walked and scored on Barnes' three-base drive to deep center.

Weathers, for A. & M., pitched a beautiful game and was never in danger. He allowed only five hits, walked two and struck out 15. Pegram also pitched a creditable game, but allowed the hits to be bunched with his free passes.

The weather was very cold, which made it very unpleasant for the spectators, but otherwise it was a beautiful exhibition.

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Weathers and Winston; Pegram and Wrenn; time 1:30; umpire, Upchurch.

HIS LAST STAND IN THE MAJORS

"Jim" Thorpe, well remembered from old Eastern Carolina League days, is with the Giants at Marlin, Texas, and McGraw is beginning to wonder if he will ever be able to hit the Major League hurlers. Thus far, he has shown up well in practice, and followers of the game are asking if he will be able to "come back."

THORPE MAKING HIS LAST STAND

Will Big Indian Ever Be Able to Meet Major League Hurlers—Shows Up Well at Marlin, Texas.

Marlin, Texas, March 18.—Will Jim Thorpe, the Sac and Fox Indian, now here with the Giants be able to continue in fast company during the coming season? That is the question that is puzzling McGraw and be it said to the big Indian's credit, he is showing up well thus far in practice.

Perhaps the most surprising thing about the pair of games against the minors on last Saturday and Sunday was the batting of Thorpe, who looked like a million dollars at the bat against the minor league pitchers. It's too bad that Jim can't hit that way against the hurlers in the big show. Thorpe looked over the Dallas pitchers' slants and, selecting those to his liking, proceeded to slam the ball al over Gardner Park. His triple in the sixth inning, which scored Burns and helped along the cannonading which cinched the pastime for the Giants, was a nicely placed wallop and would have got away from any fielder, be they under the big tent or in the "sticks."

The general opinion is that Thorpe is making a last stand on the major league diamond. Olympic prize winner and one of the greatest football players that ever donned gridiron armor, Thorpe is a most interesting personality. Without question one of the greatest athletes ever developed in America or in any other portion of the world. Thorpe has made a name for himself in track and field sports, lacrosse football and college baseball. It was not until he undertook to play the latter game in the big eagues that he found a sport wherein he failed to shine with his acustomed brilliancy.

Fresh from his Olympic triumphs at Stockholm and the subsequent sensational stripping away of these honors by the Amateur Athletic Union on the charge that he was a professional, Thorpe was signed to play with the New York National League club by Manager John J. McGraw. From the very beginning the redskin athlete ran like a deer in the outfield and on the bases, fielded well but was absolutely helpless before the curved pitching of the big league box stars.

Given a straight ball across the heart of the plate, Thorpe with his powerful arms and shoulders could and did lift the ball over the centerfielder's head with great regularity. The trouble was that the pitcher never made such a mistake but once. Thereafter Thorpe got nothing but curved pitching and the Indian swung on the slants in vain.

The Indian drifted from the major leagues to the minors and even there his helplessness at the plate caused him to be cast aside for a less sensational player who could bat in pinches. Through it all McGraw held firm to his belief that eventually Thorp would master the art of hitting a curved delivery. This spring McGraw decided to give him another chance with the Giants at the training camp at Marlin, Texas.

There the Redman was persuaded to try batting left-handed when he went to the plate and at once a decided improvement was noticed in his hitting. In his new position he showed ability to connect with the best of the early spring curves and his admirers have taken hope. If it is demonstrated that Thorpe, batting left handed, can land on the ball with his heavy black war club, there is a place for him with the Giants and McGraw's judgment will have been vindicated. If it is proved, however, that it is but a flash of batting ability then Thorpe and the big leagues will part company forever.

SUNDAY SCHOOL BASKETBALL.

Two Interesting and Hotly Contested Games at the Y. M. C. A.

At the Y. M. C. A. yesterday afternoon the City Sunday school boys played two good games of basketball and the spectators were well repaid for their visit to the gymnasium for the purpose of seeing them.

The First Baptist boys won over the First Presbyterian boys by a score of 12 to 3. The Baptists put up a good game and clearly outclassed their opponents. They had good pass work and played fast, clean ball throughout. Jewell was the star of the game scoring five of his team's 12 points, and was in the game with the goods from beginning to end. Dan Penton also played a good game.

The second game between Fifth Avenue and Grace Methodist was won by the latter, 21 to 5. Green for Grace gave a fine exhibition of goal shooting, having caged the ball eight times during the game. The beautiful passing of Tucker for Grace was another outstanding feature. The Fifth Avenue boys were not as much outclassed as the score would seem to indicate, they got over the floor as fast as lightning but had hard luck in their goal shooting. Snakenburg played a fine game, covering all kinds of territory and passing well.

The games of the City Sunday School League are played every Saturday afternoon at the Y. M. C. A. at 2 o'clock.

ALL STARS ARE VICTORS.

Sholar's Strong Team Goes Down in Defeat in Basketball Game.

The deciding game of the three scheduled between Lewis' All Stars from the Y. M. C. A. and Sholar's team from the Boys' Brigade was played on the Y. M. C. A. floor last night with the result of a victory for the All Stars.

The game was fast and snappy, good playing being in evidence on both sides, and was witnessed by a good crowd. N. Davis was the shining light for the visitors, (Sholar's quint) while Shepherd, Lewis and Rhodes were the heavy men for the All Stars. By winning this game the All Stars get the big end of the series of three games which were scheduled, each team having previously a victory to its credit.

The line-up:

All Stars		Sholar's Team
Rhodes	F	Rourk, Ellis
Rut	F	Davis
Shepard	C	Gerdes
Rennie	G	Montgomery
Lewis (c)	G	Sholar (c)

Referee, King; umpire, Seitters; scorer, Monroe; timekeeper, Palmgren.

JAPANESE BASEBALL TEAM IS COMING OVER

Waseda University Players Invited by Chicago University

Team From Tokio Expected to Play First Game in America Around May 1—Some Worry as to Willard and Moran.

New York, March 18.—The baseball team of the Waseda University of Tokio, Japan, which will visit this country during the coming spring at the invitation of the University of Chicago, leaves for the Unites States within the next ten days. Reports from the Orient are to the effect that the Japanese players are already in training and expect to demonstrate the strides that baseball has made in Japan in recent years by winning a number of games from the college nines of the Pacific coast and Middle West.

It is thought that the Waseda team will play its first game in this country in April or early in May. The details of the itinerary are now being arranged by P. R. Des Jardien, former All-American football center and star pitcher of the University of Chicago. Des Jardien will meet the Japanese players on their arrival at San Francisco and accompany them eastward on the trip which will end at Chicago, where a final series will be played with the University of Chicago team early in June.

During the invasion of Japan by the Maroon nine last year the teams of Chicago and Waseda met in a series of seven games all of which were won by the Chicago collegians. A majority of the contests were hard fought, however, and the American players were forced to play high class ball in order to defeat their Oriental opponents. During the series Chicago scored thirty runs to Waseda's 7, shutting out the Japs in four of the seven games. Because of these shoutouts Chicago's average of 4 2-7 runs per game against Waseda's one run per game, gave the series a one-sided appearance which was not borne out in the play.

The personnel of the Waseda team which will make the trip to this country is as follows: Pitcher, Kawashima; catcher, Ichioka; first baseman, Hansi; captain and second baseman, Asanuma; third baseman, Saiki; short stop, Kato; left fielder, Yokoyaha; right fielder, Cho; and center fielder, Usui. In addition to the regular members, some four spare men will be included in the party which will be accompanied by Professor Kono of Wasena.

The physical condition of Jess Willard and Frank Moran, who are scheduled to meet in New York City in a ten round bout on March 25, for a purse of $7,250, is causing those most interested in the contest some little worry. Moran, who recently returned from a two-weeks training session at Saratoga, N. Y., is reported to be on fighting edge and it will require very careful handling to prevent him from going stale.

Willard, on the other hand, is still some pounds over his normal fighting weight and is apparently having considerable trouble in reducing in a manner satisfactory to his critics. A somewhat similar state of affairs prevailed at Havana, Cuba, just about a year ago, when he was preparing for his battle with Johnson. A spell of hot weather, however, helped him greatly in taking off the final pounds of excess weight. There appears to be little chance for any such assistance from the weatherman in New York during the next two weeks and Willard will have to rely upon strenuous training to reduce to the weight necessary for him to be at his best.

COULD WEAR HORSE COLLAR

Frank Moran Has Nineteen-Inch Neck. Physical Test.

Frank Moran, who will box Jess Willard in Madison Square Garden on March 25, has a nineteen-inch neck. A medical man went over Moran the other day and learned that the Pittsburgh biffer is a nose-breather up to the point of being winded when in action.

The M. D. found that Moran's nose had been broken. Moran says Jack Johnson smashed it two years ago. The doctor says the septum of the nose is a bit deviated, but not enough to hamper breathing.

There is no sign of muscleboundness in the Pittsburgh slugger. With knees straight, he can put his hands flat on the floor; standing erect, he can strike his chest with either knee. Then he can kick the palm of his hand held several inches above his head without ducking.

Moran is fairly good bending the hands back to the wrist, but poor in bringing the hands together horizontally behind.

WAKE FOREST DEFEATS CARY

Score 18 to 2 in First Practice Game of the Baptists.

(Special Star Telegram.)

Wake Forest, N. C., March 18.—Wake Forest defeated the Cary high school nine on the local field this afternoon in the first practice game of the season by the one-sided score of 18 to 2.

The Baptists had their eyes on the ball and hit the offerings of the visiting pitchers at will, securing a total of 21 hits. The heavy stick work of Holding featured the game, the Baptist captain hitting for two triples and three singles, Ellis followed Holding with two doubles and two singles.

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Wake ForestETAOIN UN UNUNNN
Franks, Huntley, Moore and Vassey; Sauls, Redford and Maynard. Umpire, Ashcraft.

See Danny Lund.

The funniest German comedian on the stage, at the Victoria all this week. (Advertisement).

WHY CARS WILL BE HIGHER

Increased Cost of Raw Materials—War Conditions Chief Reason Says Motor Age Expert.

(By Leslie V. Spencer).

That all car manufacturers will have to raise the price of their machines for next year is practically a certainty, or, if they do not do this and hold the prices where they are, they will have to cut the quality. This is the unanimous opinion of men who are closest to the present condition of the materials markets. In fact, there is no more important thing in the minds of motor car producers today than this question of price.

Three of the leading companies have now raised the selling figure, Cadillac and Packard having done so some months ago, and Chalmers falling in line recently, and the general feeling is that all must meet the situation fairly and acknowledge that they cannot continue at present figures when it is costing them about one-fifth more to build the vehicles than it did one year ago, solely because they have to pay much more for the raw materials. Therefore, it can be stated positively that unless some unforeseen and highly improbably easing-off of the demand for iron and steel, copper, zinc, aluminum, brass, bronze, tin, etc., takes place, the profit in the vehicles will not be sufficient to give a reasonable return on the money invested.

Supply and Demand.

The whole situation primarily is a question of supply and demand. There is an over-demand for everything and this is immediately reflected in the price. Fortunate indeed is the far-sighted purchasing agent who looked ahead and contracted for his supplies well in advance, but there are a great number who did not anticipate the present condition and they are the ones who are left high and dry. Steel mills will not contract now for material for delivery before six months hence, and there are mills which are asking 10 months.

Heretofore it has been possible to secure contract material with 30 to 60 days at the longest. This will immediately make clear the predicament of the concern which is not well supplied with what it will need for another half year. Add this question of delivery to the problem of price and you make a combination which is serious for the big manufacturer as well as the little fellow.

Investigation has shown that only in very few cases have the manufacturers been able to take care of their prospective needs beyond January, 1917. They cannot even make contracts at present prices to extend farther ahead than that time, because the steel mills will not entertain them. This may change as the year advances, but at present no one will venture to say what conditions will be when another 12 months roll around the calendar.

Apparently the car assembler is hit the hardest—much harder than the producer who makes the parts he puts into his cnassis. The parts maker only gets materials as he contracts for his product, and hence he cannot buy material in large quantity very far ahead unless he is a very big parts maker and is able to figure on a general average from year to year. This condition immediately reflects on the price which the car builder has to pay, and any manufacturer today will say that he is paying more in proportion for everything he does not make in his own shops.

This means simply that the assembler cannot make as much profit today on a car which he sells at the same or even a slightly higher price than the actual car manufacturer, even though both cars were identical in quality and design. This statement would be discounted somewhat where the assembler works on a very large scale and is in a position to contract for what he is reasonably sure he will need many months hence. Very few are in that enviable position.

Some of the strong car makers will not feel the present great increases in price before next January because their contracts were made at lower figures to run until that time, but after that date none will say what he will have to pay. Therefore, with the announcement of 1917 models, which will begin about the middle of the year, if past policies are taken as a criterion, we will see increases all along the line unless some other way is found to surmount the situation.

Perhaps in some cases reduction of manufacturing cost can be made to offset the added cost of what goes into the cars, but this is very doubtful in view of the enormous increases. Then, too, the manufacturers, even though some of them are fixed until next Janu-

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BAKER SHOULD SHINE

Frank Expected to Drive in Many Runs —Batting Order.

Macon, Ga., March 18.—While Bill Donovan has yet to make official announcements of his regular line-up and batting order it is no difficult task after seeing the signs daily to name the arrangement which the Yankee leader will hand to the umpire for the opening battle against Walter Johnson a month hence. Here is the way that paper will read, unless some unforeseen accident puts some of the athletes out of the game in the meantime:

Maisel, centre fielder; Gilhooley, right fielder; Magee, left fielder; Baker third base; Pipp, first base; Gedeon, second base; Peckinpaugh, shortstop; Nunamaker or Alexander, catcher, and Caldwell, pitcher. Those fans who delight in doping out the run-getting possibilities from the batting order will find much to work upon in this arrangement of the Yankees. It carries unusual speed on the front and plenty of hitting power all the way from Maisel to Caldwell, and must be rated as a scoring combination of a high order. last season the Yanks were noted for their inability to score more than two or three runs on their big days and very often they finished with one run or a shutout. Certainly the 1916 combination should pick up as many runs as any ball club in the game.

Few doubt the ability of Maisel or Magee to bat in th eneighborhood of 300 and both are unusually fast on the bases. As for Frank Gilhooley, some doubt exists in the minds of the fans, as always happens in doping out a player coming up from the minors. From the work being shown by Gilhooley here he is ready to shine as a major leaguer and appears fully competent to stick to the regular lineup. He is a flash on the bases and should be perfectly at home to such company as Maisel and Magee.

Following these three speed artists comes the player who for several successive seasons, until his retirement in 1915, led the American League in driving runs over the plate. Baker had some fast men ahead of him when he held the cleanup position for the Mackmen, but certainly they did not class in speed with the trio who led off for the Yankees. It would not be surprising if Baker drives in more runs than he ever pushed home in one season. That right field stand should help greatly in running up the figure.

Pipp and Gideon, who follow Baker, also are hitters of the long-distance type, batsmen who specialize in denting the fences.

COLLEGE BASEBALL

At Raleigh, N. C.: A. & M. college 4, Oak Ridge 1.

At Chapel Hill, N. C.: University of North Carolina, 18; Elon College 4.

WAKE FOREST BASEBALL TEAM TAKING ON HARD PRACTICE

Season Opens March 23 With Liberty-Piedmont First Opponent.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Wake Forest, N. C., March 18.—With the opening game of the season less than a week off, Coach Billings is putting the Wake Forest baseball team through unusually hard and strenuous practice. The season will get under way March 23, with the Baptists drawing Liberty Piedmont as their first opponents, and then within a week, Elon, the University of North Carolina, Trinity and Guilford are met in succession.

Favored with excellent weather the greater part of the past week the team has made long strides in improvement and the prospects grow brighter every day. The Baptists seem assured of a fast and well balanced infield this year, an outfield will be fully as strong as in previous seasons, and with several members of the pitching staff rapidly rounding into condition the battery problem should not give any worry.

WASHINGTON AMERICANS WIN FROM VIRGINIA UNIVERSITY.

Charlottesville, Va., March 18.—The Washington Americans and Virginia played eight innings of baseball today despite the rigid weather, Washington winning 10 to 4. Catcher Garrity made a home run for the Nationals.

Washington	10	11	1
Virginia	4	7	4

Humphries, Gittings, Sloan and Garrity; Hager, Rixey, Drummond, McCall and Gwathmey and Green.

PHILLIES DEFEAT CUBS IN GAME AT ST. PETERSBURG, FLA.

St. Petersburg, Fla., March 18.—The Philadelphia Nationals defeated the Chicago Nationals here today 7 to 2.

Philadelphia	7	7	3
Chicago	2	6	5

Tincup, Baumgartner, Kark, Adams and Adams; McConnell, Lavender, Prendergast and Fischer.

King of the Mountain Road

Ray McNamara and the Maxwell car in which he drove, Feb. 11, across the Alleghenies, from Philadelphia to Pittsburgh, in eight hours, nineteen minutes, breaking all records for the famous 294 mile testing course.

Elon Overwhelmed By Carolina Team

GAME AT CHAPEL HILL SOON RESOLVED ITSELF INTO A MERRY-GO-ROUND FOR CAROLINA

(Special Star Telegram.)

Chapel Hill, N. C., March 18.—By the farcical score of 18 to 4, the Carolina baseball team overwhelmed Elon college here today. Beginning like a real baseball game, the contest soon resolved itself into a merry-go-round for Carolina and a tragedy for Elon. Elon hit Currie hard in the first two innings and collected four runs. Powell, Carolina's young pitcher from Randolph-Macon, who then took Currie's place, held Elon scoreless for the remaining seven innings.

Carolina made eight runs in her half of the second. After this Elon went completely to pieces and at the end of the ninth few fragments remained. Carolina scored in every inning except the fifth.

The features of the game were Bennett's triple with three men on the bases and the inability of Elon's pitchers to find the plate. Herty, Carolina's short stop, walking four times in succession. Carolina's stars were Bennett, Bailey and Powell, who, besides pitching shut out ball, slammed out a couple of two-baggers. Ragsdale and Maxwell did good work for Elon, each getting two hits.

Summary— Substitutions: Carolina, Hardison for Zollicoffer, Wood for Barnes, Self for Pippin, Angel for Bennett, Husk for Herty, Powell for Currie; Elon, Hoard for Bailey. Two-base hits, Ragsdale, Wood, Lewis, Powell 2 Three-base hits, Hardison, Bennett, Umpire, Pearson. Scorer, Bridgers. Time, 2 hours, 20 minutes.

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Elon	130 000 000— 4	9	7

BASEBALL RESULTS

At Memphis, Tenn.: St. Louis, Americans, 9; Memphis, Southern Association 4.

At New Orleans: Cleveland, Americans 2; New Orleans, Southern Association 4.

At San Antonio, Texas: St. Louis Americans 8; San Antonio, Texas League 2.

At Forth Worth, Texas: Chicago, Americans (second team), 5; Fort Worth Texas League 2.

At Houston, Texas: New York Nationals, (second team), 4; Houston, Texas League 0.

At Galveston, Texas: New York Nationals 4; Galveston, Texas League 3.

At Waco, Texas: Detroit Americans 11; Waco, Texas League 2.

At Shreveport, La.: Cincinnati Nationals 13, Shreveport, Texas League, 6.

NEW GRIDIRON RULES

Here are the new football rules in a nutshell:

If a kickoff goes in the crowd, it is a touchback.

If a blocked kick goes in the stands, it is a safety.

No one, not even a physician, can go on the field without permission.

There can be no striking with fists or elbows.

If a defending team's forward pass hits the goal post it is a safety.

The referee can call the game on account of darkness.

A player can bat the ball with his hand in a forward pass.

If a team comes on the field late the other side can choose the goal.

A player must be the last man on the line of scrimmage to get forward pass.

BASEBALL PICK-UPS.

It is always some thing or other with George Burns. Last spring he broke an ankle. Now he has cracked a shoulder diving into a swimming tank at his home town of Utica, and is laid up again.

The Boston Americans are cleaning out their catching staff to make room for Sam Agnew. They ask waivers on Cady, and sent Devine, a youngster, from Albany, to Montreal, of the International League.

Tommy Daly as a member of the Cleveland Indians may get a chance to do some regular work, either behind the bat or in the outfield, and may thus show some of his latent ability. With the White Sox he never had a real chance.

Bernard Lee, third baseman and captain of the Tufts College team, will get a tryout with the Braves at Miami this spring. He is noted as a hard hitter in college circles, and a fast fielder, and may beat Carlisle Smith out of his job.

Eddie Plank, having failed to win his point that he should be declared a free agent, decided to make the best of it and sign up with the St. Louis Browns, and so Manager Fielder Jones has another southpaw to shoot against Detroit.

With the Indians acquiring Chick Gandil, Jack Kirke is compelled to make another trip to the minors, along the path he has worn in the past five or six years. Jay has been up and down enough times to know the route with his eyes shut.

Dave Davenport, pitcher for the St. Louis Browns, was married in Runge, Tex., on February 25, to Miss Lillie Calloway, a resident of Runge. Davenport has been holding out on the Browns, but with two to keep he is now expected to come to terms.

Ivan Howard dropped in from California to St. Louis, expecting to go to camp with the Browns just in time to learn that he had been transferred to the Cleveland Indians. The change did not seem to disturb him. He is too wise a ball player for that.

Tyrus Cobb is at the head of a company which is building an apartment

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TOP O' THE MORNING.

Know ye not, that to whom ye yield yourselves servants to obey, his servants ye are to whom ye obey; whether of sin unto death, or of obedience unto righteousness?—Romans 6:16.

Ye are bought with a price; be not ye the servants of men.—1 Corinthians 7:23.

The silent vote will make the most noise next November.

Do it now. Whatever we ought to do, let's do it and keep on doing it.

Like the old guard, the reactionary never surrenders. You have him to whip out—if you can.

The snake season is nearly here, but very few snakes have ever been known to attack men who climb on the water wagon and won't get off whether fish are biting or not.

White or light colors will prevail this spring and summer, so that with colors generally subdued there will be no danger of anything so startling as a riot of colors.

The Republicans want to nominate a presidential candidate who is better than his party. That would be a compliment to him, provided he does not stop to consider the source.

"Congress should get together," says the Philadelphia Public Ledger. Wouldn't it really be better if Congress were scattered all over the country where it couldn't get together?

In meeting competition, the best way is to defy it. The geographical position of Wilmington, together with her rail and water facilities, defies competition from a distributing point of view. Let us emphasize it.

We have to regard our military censorship on the Mexican border with about the same sort of fortitude as we take a dose of calomel. We don't love to take our medicine but when it becomes a necessity, we have to swallow the dose.

The American consul at Torreon, Mexico, did not wait to get scared. He came home before scary times sprung up around Torreon. Then again, the probability is that business was dull and did not require much attention from him.

A fashion note says: "Ladies' hats are trimmed in a variety of ways." Reminds a fellow of the various ways that he can be trimmed. At the same time, a man does not resemble a lady's hat after he has been trimmed to the queen's taste.

Columbia is to have a $200,000 plant for the manufacture of barrel staves. Now and then somebody thinks of the advantage of starting an industry that will utilize raw material where there is plenty of it close at hand. We don't think of that often enough, do we?

The Chadbourn Herald has just rounded out the first year of its publication, and thereupon the good town of Chadbourn is more entitled to congratulations than is the Herald. The people have supported their paper and it is to be felicitated upon the fact that the editor has deserved the support given to him. He has stuck to his task with fidelity and heroism and he starts a new year inspired with the hope of seeing lots of things doing in Chadbourn that will greatly improve the town and enhance the value of property and increase the size of his thrifty town. The Herald is there to promote such undertakings and indeed Chadbourn is fortunate that it has such an institution as a newspaper medium through which the factors for the town's development and progress can be emphasized. No doubt the people of Chadbourn appreciate that. There is no telling the value of a well-supported local newspaper, often of far greater value to the community than it is to the publisher. The community which wants a paper has to hold up the editor's hands if he is expected to do his best.

WILMINGTON SAW IT FIRST

Wilmington saw it first—the advantage of a packing house. The Star exploited it and the Moultrie (Ga.) chamber of commerce sent here for copies of The Star exploiting the subject. Thereupon Moultrie got busy and established a packing house that has scored a success. The Star is glad that its influence extends into other states.

Meanwhile The Star has kept on urging first an abbatoir and later a packing house for Wilmington. We got the abattoir and sooner or later we are going to have a packing house—just as sure as fate. But when? We ought to have it right away, for if we don't the Eastern North Carolina livestock industry will find a market elsewhere. Just at present it is depending on Richmond, Va.

The Columbia Record is urging the establishment of a packing house at the capital of the Palmetto State. Why Columbia? Meanwhile, the Florence Times is urging the claims of Florence for a packing house. Clemson College, a progressive state institution, is urging the establishment of at least two packing houses, one for the upper and one for the lower part of the state. Orangeburg has taken the initiative in the lower part of the state, but the Florence Times thus puts in its oar for Florence:

"The announcement comes from Orangeburg that a meeting is to be held in that city on March 16th, for the purpose of establishing a packing house at the cost of not less than $40,000. This meeting is to be attended by Mr. W. W. Long, the State Agent of the Federal Department of Agriculture in charge of the work of Farm Demonstration which is centered at Clemson College. It is stated that a plan has been formulated by the Federal Bureau of Animal Industry, coordinate with the Farm Demonstration work, for the establishment of two packing plants in the state, one in the up-country and one in the lower part of the state. Orangeburg is right after this plant. We believe that Florence is the place in this section of South Carolina for the establishment of such a plant. The question of establishing such a plant has been agitated by local capitalists in the city of Wilmington, N. C., and it will be remembered that the progressive people of the town of Moultrie, Ga., broke the ice in this variety of enterprise in the South several years ago and have made a splendid success of their venture."

Those Orangeburg folks are on the move. They held a meeting on Thursday and that means business, but Florence has something to think about if Orangeburg falls down on herself. The Columbia Record urges Columbia capitalists to establish a packing house, but if either Orangeburg or Florence takes the initiative, what is the use for Columbia to worry? Whether a packing house is located at Columbia, Orangeburg or Florence, it will provide a sufficient market for all the livestock of lower South Carolina—perhaps for the whole state. Indeed, if Wilmington does not have a packing house, one anywhere in South Carolina could draw on North Carolina for livestock.

The South Atlantic is going to have a packing house somewhere, for it needs it. If it isn't to be at Wilmington, it is going to be at Columbia, Orangeburg or Florence. If it isn't to be at Wilmington, it is going to be at Columbia, Orangeburg or Florence. We hope it will be at Wilmington, unless we do too much watchful waiting while other cities are active on this question.

Those South Carolina towns might wait on Wilmington a while. A big packing house here would furnish South Carolina a fine market for her livestock products. Wilmington saw it first, anyhow.

THE SINE QUA NON OF LATIN AMERICAN TRADE.

It is estimated that ten South American countries in 1913 did an import business of two billion dollars. It is said also that fully two thirds of this business was controlled by European exporters. In the middle of 1914 the European war broke out and as a consequence the exporters of those countries were practically put out of business, so far as Latin-American trade was concerned, and they will naturally be barred from that business until after the end of the war.

The fact that the European nations were cut off from trade with the South American countries appealed to many in the United States as affording American manufacturers and exporters an opportunity to pick up the candy that exporters and manufacturers of Europe were forced to drop. To some it looked like a bonanza. Others were slow to see the opportunity. One great difficulty was and is yet the scarcity of facilities for transportation. Probably the greatest difficulty of all was lack of initiative and aggressiveness, that characteristic of so many of America's big manufacturers that underlies the eternal cry for high tariff walls of protection to relieve them of having to hustle to meet competition.

However, a South American trade extension propaganda was inaugurated by the Federal Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce, which has had the co-operation of at least a portion of the American manufacturers and exporters. Through Commissioner M. L. Shipman, the North Carolina Department of Labor and Printing has been co-operating in this propaganda, especially in the matter of distributing among North Carolina manufacturers and probably others the "trade opportunities," or lists of articles wanted and parties desiring them, in the South American and Central American countries, as gathered by the Federal bureau.

This propaganda seems to have advanced far enough to determine what is the one prerequisite to the building up of trade in Latin America by American interests, aside from the matter of transportation. It has been pointed out by others, but Hon. Preston McGoodwin, American minister at Caracas, Venezuela, has written Commissioner Shipman, at Raleigh, a letter which describes the situation and makes it clear that if American exporters and manufacturers are to enjoy the trade in that country heretofore enjoyed by European exporters they must arrange to do business like the Europeans did it. If they are unable or unwilling to do that, then it appears there is little need to go further with the Latin-American trade extension propaganda. Here is what Minister McGoodwin says:

"I am convinced we cannot secure the trade of South or Central American countries until we are ready to finance them. The Latin merchant is a confirmed advocate of the principle of barter, and since the European war has so seriously crippled commerce in these countries, by limiting markets of raw products and restricting credits, it is vitally essential that we perform the service formerly rendered by Germany, England, France, Italy, Holland and Spain, if we are to reap any material benefit. The business of these countries is conducted exactly as by the cross road stores in North Carolina, except on a larger scale. Merchants must finance the coffee, cocoa and sugar growers and make settlements after the crops are harvested and sold. No amount of theoretical energy around mahogany tables in directors' rooms in New York or elsewhere will change that condition. European exporters appreciated it and acted accordingly, with the result that of the two billions of foreign trade enjoyed by the ten South American countries in 1913, they easily controlled two-thirds."

Probably many exporters and manufacturers will not care for the Latin-American trade if it must be had in that way. If not, they don't have to have it. However, it seems to have been a paying proposition for European exporters and manufacturers. A certain town in North Carolina had no general farmers' supply houses, while neighboring towns all around were thriving doing farm credits business and drawing some of the best business from within bell sound of the central town. It was suggested that the place needed one or more houses prepared to furnish a good farmer on good security anything he needed on "crop time" and at the same time it was pointed out that some of the most prominent farmers within ten miles of the place were buying their fertilizers and other supplies from towns 35 and 40 miles away. "Yes, some people would buy a grave yard if they could get it on credit," was the retort. "But," said the man with the suggestion, "look at Jones & Company and Brown & Company and Smith & Company in these other towns. They have been selling those grave yards on credit to this class of farmers for 25 years and have grown rich at it. Today you recognize them as among the strong business houses in the section, and the bulk of their wealth was made that way."

The long and short of the Latin-American trade proposition seems to be that there is one way to get it and that is the way the European nations have been glad to get it. We can get it that way or not at all. If we are unable or unwilling to go after it in that way, then it is of little use to say any more about it.

SOCIALISM AND REPUBLICANISM.

The Socialist party already has agreed upon its candidate for president, Hon. Allan L. Benson, quite an able man residing at Yonkers, N. Y. The vice-presidential choice is George R. Kirkpatrick, of Newark, N. J. They don't expect to be elected, but Mr. Benson predicts a greatly increased Socialist vote on account of the war in Europe. He says it is easy enough to trace the war in Europe to the competitive system—the private ownership of industrial organization—which creates an owning class which insists that their government must protect their interests from competition and interference throughout the world, thus bringing about the cause of national conflicts.

The socialistic remedy for it is government operation of all industries and utilities in the interest of the people, but the socialists never stop to explain what the people will degenerate into when their own initiative and individual aspirations are taken away from them. Evidently they would become only willing workers or tools of their paternalistic governments. The governments would be looked to for all the initiative, enterprise and constructiveness now inherent in the people, and yet there is no guarantee that any government would be so capable and wise and good that it could wet-nurse and pamper, care for and provide for millions of people.

Socialism is a benevolent and beautiful theory, but we can't see how people could adopt such a theory without fearing that the very owning class which they propose to discard would become the government class and own the people. Under the socialistic theory, as a matter of course, none but industrial and government experts, two qualifications combined in one, could possibly run such a government, so that the constructive men would soon fill all the government positions in order to make it an absolutely efficient system with the capacity for ruling the people and running all the railroads, mines and factories of the country. The people would have a mighty hard time in selecting such a set of Solomonic rulers and industrial captains, and the utter impossibity of it strikes us as one of the reasons that would keep a man from believing in such a political doctrine proposing such a Utopian ieda. The possible selection of an inefficient government would play smash with the whole proposition and away would go the dream that we could be satisfactorily governed and all hands kept in a good job. There would be millions of government jobs, of course, but if the railroads, utilities and industries should be run at a loss by an incapable government, the loss would fall upon all the people, who would have to bear the brunt of the government's failure to be equal to the ideal.

The real function of government is to wisely govern the people, control the owning classes and regulate the industries just as wisely as the whole people are governed. The socialists really have been misled by the theory and practice of Republican doctrines. They want the government to do for all the people what the Republican party does for a few of the people. The Republican party practices its paternalism in only a limited way. It picks out the industrial classes, makes them the beneficiaries of protection and makes them enormously rich or prosperous at the expense of the masses. Republicanism pulls off that stunt successfully so far as the beneficiaries of their protective tariff are concerned, while letting the masses shift for themselves and do the best they can after the tariff beneficiaries get all that is coming to them out of the people.

Evidently the socialists think the old cow should not be milked for tariff beneficiaries only, but should be turned around so all the people can get an unctious pull—same as the favored few. No wonder there are from 1,500,000 to 2,000,000 Socialist voters in this country. Republican doctrines are making more of them every day and more Republicanism will make more socialism. It is even making the Democratic party socialistic, because the people are bewildered and are looking for remedies that possibly may make matters worse.

The cardinal principles of the Democratic party will furnish the remedy if the people stick to them long enough. They made a good start in the right direction in the last election, and so long as the Democracy holds fast to fundamental principles and the people do not run here and there after false theories, the country will be safe.

The result of the one-sided paternalism of the Republican party is that wealth, land ownership, property ownership and monopolistic control of the country's resources have been rapidly concentrated into the hands of the few, even to an alarming extent. If the people are sufficiently alarmed they will vote right in the coming election, else they will take one more chance at a political system that will make the whole United States a socialistic country. The billionaire and millionaire industrial systems built up by Republican favoritism want more protection at the expense of the people and they will furnish millions to the Republican campaign fund for the deliberate purpose of securing another protective tariff that will make the rich richer and keep on doing it as it has done before.

We look upon the situation as a very solemn one for the people and the Democracy of America, but if the people cannot see their duty to themselves, the time will come when it will be too late for them to get solemn. If the Republican party's specially pampered class triumph over the people with money and specious arguments, the people will have only themselves to blame.

Mexico is now trying to get from under a collapsed system of favoritism and classism, but she is having a mighty hard time doing it. We ought to watch her and wonder how it will be for our posterity in the future years of our own Republic. Taking from the many to enrich the few will give to socialism its best chance to grow in any country where the government belongs to the people instead of the people's belonging to the government—the last word of the socialistic theory.

Colonel Roosevelt says he does not want the Republican nomination for President. That isn't saying that he would refuse it if the Republicans want him to accept and will promise to display anything like a heroic mood. When a man gets so he doesn't want the Republican nomination, the G. O. P. should consider what a common thing its nomination has gotten to be.

Democratic confidence all over the country is a good sign. You can't lose Democrats when it comes to having confidence. They hang right on to it and refuse to go home on election night till all the official returns are in. We like to belong to a party that expects to clean up all the others put together, and has reason to expect it.

Doc Cook is said to be in Washington endeavoring to convince Congress that he discovered the North Pole. Doc ought to know that Congress is so divided at this time that nobody but President Wilson could hope to convince it of anything.

A man with an education but without ideas of avocational, industrial and thrift purport is in a bad row of stumps.

CURRENT COMMENT

Those who have been residents of Wilmington for the past ten years will recall that just that many years ago the pavement of our streets and sidewalks was a joke to the visitor and a thing of embarrassment to the citizen of Wilmington. Time has wrought wonderful changes in this respect to our city, and no one would have us go back to the inadequacy of our former days. No one will question the fact that the value of property has materially increased. The truthfulness of the situation outlined above leads us to contend that the improvement of the highways leading to our metropolis would be equally as beneficial. Agitation for the proposed Wilmington-Charlotte highway and free transportation across the Cape Fear should not be allowed to wane until these things are had. Wilmington is so situated that she would reap the principal advantage commercially, and then it behooves the citizens of Wilmington to take the initial step for its furtherance.—New Hanover News.

Two gentlemen who have recently announced themselves as candidates for the Democratic nomination for Representative in this district are Mr. T. B. Finley and Mr. R. N. Hackett, both of whom live in Wilkes county. Mr. Hackett formerly represented the eighth district, of which Wilkes was at that time a part, in Congress. Including Mr. H. B. Varner, of Lexington, and Mr. L. D. Robinson, four candidates have already announced themselves, and more are expected later. Since the above was written Mr. U. L. Spence, of Carthage, Moore county, has announced his candidacy, making five already in the race, and there may be more by the time this appears in print. Many people who have not the information will be interested in knowing the counties in the Seventh Congressional district. They are: Union, Anson, Richmond, Scotland, Hoke Montgomery, Moore, Lee, Randolph, Chatham, Yalkin, Wilkes. In point of population the Seventh is the next to the largest district in the State, being surpassed only by the fifth.—Wadesboro Messenger and Intelligencer.

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Amount of Capital paid up in cash	$ 1,000,000.00
Amount of Ledger Assets December 31st of previous year, $2,376,012.09; Increase of paid-up capital, $300,000.00; Total	2,676,012.09
Income—From Policyholders, $777,380.01; Miscellaneous, $91,173.89; total	$868,553.90
Disbursements—To Policyholders, $227,554.40; Miscellaneous, $327,114.62; Total	554,669.11
Value of Bonds and Stocks	$2,757,383.71
Deposited in Trust Companies and Banks on interest	98,654.16
Agents' balances, representing business written subsequent to October 1, 1915	137,863.94
Agents' balances, representing business written prior to October 1, 1915	725.07
Interest and Rents due and accrued	31,418.74
All other Assets, as detailed in statement	500.00
Total	$ 3,024,315.62
Less Assets not admitted.	108,118.78
Total admitted Assets	$ 2,913,196.84

LIABILITIES

Net amount of unpaid losses and claims	$ 59,018.56
Unearned Premiums	663,711.57
Salaries, rents, expenses, bills, accounts, fees, etc., due or accrued	2,500.00
Estimated amount payable for Federal State, county and municipal taxes due or accrued	23,321.00
Contingent commissions, or other charges due or accrued	8,021.27
Total amount of all Liabilities except Capital	$ 757,472.70
Capital Actually paid up in Cash $1,000,000.00	
Surplus over all Liabilities $1,115,724.14	
Surplus as regards Policyholders	$ 2,155,724.14
Total Liabilities	$ 2,913,196.84

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Insurance Department,
Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 10, 1916.

I, James R. Young, Insurance Commissioner, do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct abstract of the statement of the Mercantile Insurance Company, of America, New York, filed with this Department, showing the condition of said Company on the 31st day of December, 1915.

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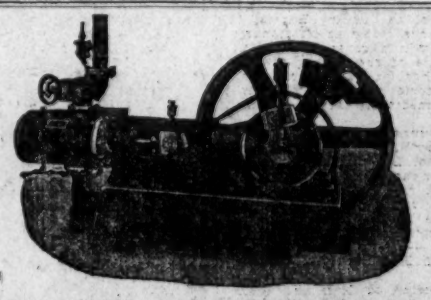

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THREE COLORED BOYS ARE HELD FOR ROBBERY

Bloodhound Follows Trail Directly to Negro's Home.

Southerland Residence at McCumber's Station on Suburban Line is Robbed Last Night While Occupants Are at Supper.

Trailed directly to his home and picked out from among the rest of the members of his family by one of Wilmington's bloodhounds, Rowland Benjamin Bradley, 12 years old and undersized for his age, was taken into custody about 11 o'clock last night by Sheriff Cowan on a charge of having entered and robbed the residence of Mr. A. P. Southerland, who conducts a store at McCumber's station on the suburban line of the Tidewater Power Company, during the early part of the evening.

Although the Bradley boy admitted that he had been to Mr. Southerland's store during the latter part of the afternoon, he denied having stolen the $6, which Mr. Southerland reported as having been stolen from a pocketbook which his wife had hidden in a satchel and placed behind a trunk in one of the sleeping rooms. The Bradley boy and two others were late last night committed to jail without bond by Justice Harriss.

Upon the statement of the Bradley boy that they had been with him, two other colored boys were arrested by Sheriff Cowan. They were Lawrence Jenkins, 12 years old, and Eddie Mandy, 17 years old, who were arrested and brought back to Wilmington, where they, together with the first named boy were examined by Justice George Harriss, all of whom stoutly denied that they had stolen the money or entered the house.

Sheriff Cowan was notified of the robbery about 9:30 o'clock, and a posse consisting of County Officer H. Mack Godwin, Deputy Sheriffs A. L. Kelly and E. C. Reynolds and Officer W. H. Kermon, in charge of the city's big male bloodhound, repaired to the scene in automobiles.

Dog Strikes Trail.

The dog was first led to a deeply imprinted track where the robber had jumped over the banister of the porch.

No sooner had the dog been lead to the place behind the trunk where the satchel had been hidden and from which the robbery had extracted the money and cast aside, then the intelligent animal gave a business-like bark and struck the hot trail which led out this room and across the hall to the adjoining sleeping room through the window, crossing the porch and on out into the yard. Here the dog came to a fence, jumped it and followed the trail which led across a branch into Mr. Southerland's cow lot and thence down a well beaten path along his field in the direction of the Villa View settlement.

In less than ten minutes the dog had trailed across the railroad track and directly to the Bradley house in the settlement and going up to the front door whined. The officers opened the door and the dog leaped inside and ran right up to the Bradley boy who had been sitting in a corner and who backed away in fright.

How Robber Entered.

The robber made his entrance by removing the wire screen in the window of a sleeping room, and crawling across the bed which stood by the window, he then crossed the room and a hall into the adjoining room, where he found the satchel containing the pocketbook, which Mrs. Southerland kept hidden behind a trunk.

The robbery was discovered at 7:30 o'clock the robber having made his entrance while Mr. and Mrs. Southerland were at supper in the dining-room, it is believed. Although it is thought that it was at this time the entrance was made, it is possible that it could have been made between 5 and 6 o'clock, as Mrs. Southerland is in the habit of going about her preparations for the evening meal shortly after 5 o'clock.

BIG OFFICIAL MAY COME.

Sovereign Clerk of Woodmen of World May Visit Wilmington.

Clerk Geo. C. Jackson, of Live Oak Camp No. 6, Woodmen of the World, is in receipt of a letter stating that in the near future it may be possible for the camp to receive an official visit from Sovereign Grand Clerk John T. Yates, of Omaha, Neb., and for the purpose of discussing the proposed visit of this official, has called a special meeting of the camp to be held Monday night at the I. O. O. F. building. A full attendance of members is desired.

The Sovereign Clerk is now on a visit to Miami, Fla., and Clerk Jackson is advised that there is a probability of his coming by Wilmington on his return West, remaining here for perhaps a couple of days. The local camp will no doubt arrange at the meeting Monday night for the entertainment of their distinguished visitor.

MISSIONARY EXERCISES TODAY.

Calvary Baptist Sunday School Will Take Part in Big Movement.

On account of next Sunday being set apart for the orphan work, the Sunday school of Calvary Baptist church will observe today as Missionary Sunday and will have special exercises in observance of the day at the meeting of the school at 3:30 o'clock. The missionary societies will have their exercises immediately after the morning sermon.

Next Sunday has been set apart as Missionary Sunday by the Baptist Sunday School Board of Nashville, Tenn., and throughout the South each superintendent has been sent a real Chinese idol, brought from Shanghai, China, and a real hand-painted Ancestral Tablet from Japan.

TO HOLD RALLY THIS AFTERNOON

Mass Meeting of Girls and Women to Be Held at First Church.

The second of the series of rallies for church members which are being conducted in Wilmington in preparation for the revival services at the Tabernacle will be held this afternoon at 5 o'clock at the First Presbyterian church, when Rev. C. L. Evarts will deliver a special message to the girls and women of the city. The meeting next Sunday afternoon at the same time will be for boys and men.

In addition to this rally, tomorrow evening at 7:45 o'clock Mr. Evarts will conduct a meeting for personal workers, at which he will give definite instruction to those who attend as to how to go about individual evangelistic work.

POLITICS LIVENING UP NOW

Coming of Spring and Nearness of Primaries Arouses Interest in the Congressional Race.

That time honored and muchly quoted statement about the coming of spring arousing the fancy of young men to thoughts of things sentimental may be changed slightly in the Sixth Congressional district for it is a fact that in spite of the lively campaign that has been conducted by numerous candidates during the past few months, there has been little interest manifested by the people regarding the outcome.

The reports brought in by both candidates and citizens, who have scouted around during the past few days, agree, however, that with the warming up of the weather, which, however, has not been evident to a marked degree recently, there has been a warming up of interest in things political and that for the next ten weeks before the primary in June, there is going to be a lot of talking and plenty of strenuous work.

The candidates are buckling on their armor for a strenuous battle. They will put in full time from now on and it is safe to say that not one will allow any grass to grow under his feet. While Congressman Godwin has been in Washington practically the entire time during the present session of congress he has found it possible to drop "down home" occasionally and he is in close touch with the situation. How many letters has been sent out from his office is not known but he has conducted numerous mail polls and his opponents agree that he is strictly on the job.

Q. K. Nimocks, Esq., of Fayetteville, who has been active for some time campaigning in Cumberland, Robeson and other counties, is drawing near to Wilmington and he is booked for an address to the voters at Southport tomorrow. His friends declare that he has Cumberland "nailed" solid but other candidates, who have "dropped" in for visits to that county express themselves as optimistic over reaping many votes in that section.

Herbert McClammy, Esq., of Wilmington, who after E. F. Young, Esq., of Dunn, was the last to enter the race, has been quietly sawing wood and saying but little. He has made occasional visits to the outlying territory, however, and last week was up in Bladen and addressed the voters of that section. He has announced his platform and is open to all comers, he says, for a wide open campaign to the finish. His friends are confident that he will be in for the finish.

Major Joseph W. Little has been actively campaigning for many months and will keep it up. He was up in Robeson the last week and upon his return expressed himself as confident of increasing strength in that section. There are few spots in the Sixth that he has not already "covered" but that doesn't mean that he is going to stop now. He is out to win and has made no bones about that fact.

Hon. J. A. Brown, of Chadbourn, has also been conducting a quiet but active campaign and his friends declare that is making rapid strides. He is recognized as one of the big factors in the contest and will be heard from considerably before the race is closed. His friends express no fears as to the outcome.

E. F. Young, Esq., is waging a strenuous campaign in his home county, Harnett, which he is seeking to take out of the Godwin lineup. He has been over the district and has talked with numerous men about his candidacy. He is confident that he will be in the final running.

That it will take a second primary to nominate a candidate is practically conceded by all and the work of the various candidates now is to get in the second round of the fight. They believe that this will tell the story.

DISBURSEMENTS OF CITY

City Clerk and Treasurer Prepares Statement for Last Nine Months.

Capt. Thomas D. Meares, city clerk and treasurer, has prepared a statement showing the amounts expended by the several departments of the city government for the nine months of the fiscal year, ending March 1. The totals for the different departments for the nine months are as follows:

General Expenses—Appropriation for year, $22,110; Audited, $17,675.85; unexpended, $5,356.91; overdrawn $922.76.

Police—Appropriation for year $45,967; audited, $34,283.15; unexpended, $12,613.84; overdrawn, $929.99.

Fire—Appropriation for year, $39,830; audited, $29,980.94; unexpended, $10,-213.71; overdrawn, $464.65.

Streets and Wharves—Appropriation for year, $46,278; audited, $41,051.88; unexpended, $10,238.99; overdrawn $5,-002.87.

Garbage—Appropriation for year, $3,650; audited, $2,619.54; unexpended, $1,030.46.

Scavenger—Appropriation for year, $9,442; audited, $6,864.85; unexpended, $2,925.95; overdrawn, $348.80.

Markets—Appropriation for year, $1,-850; audited, $1,286.95; unexpended, $563.05.

Street Lighting—Appropriation for year, $19,000; audited, $13,761.63; unexpended, $5,238.37.

Health and Hospitals—Appropriation for year, $29,101; audited, $23,359.04; unexpended, $5,821.96.

Coupon and interest account—Appropriation for year, $99,000; audited, $80,692.05; unexpended, $22,918.75; overdrawn $4,610.80.

Totals—Appropriation for year, $316,308; audited, $251,575.88; unexpended, $77,011.99; overdrawn, $12,279.87.

Other disbursements audited amounted to $848,931.04 as follows: Water and sewerage, $49,367.51; street construction, $5,148.81; park, $147.25; notes paid, $533,500; damages, $285; sidewalks, $126.70; tax refunds, $207.52; bonds redeemed, $5,000; legal expenses and costs, $3,550.57; building permits, $21.50.

TAXED WITH COSTS.

Henry Styron Given Suspended Judgment on Assault Charge.

Henry Styron, white, charged with having assaulted a Mr. Kelly at Delgado on St. Patrick's Day by drawing a knife on him, was found guilty of simple assault and given a suspended judgment upon payment of the costs at yesterday morning's session of Recorder's court. Nicholas Enlow, colored, was also given a suspended judgment upon payment of the costs in connection with a charge of having violated the hitching ordinance. The case of D. J. Barnhill, charged with having obtained $40 by false pretense from the Chadbourn Lumber Company, was continued until Monday, and Sam Goins, charged with disorderly conduct, was taxed with the costs.

The cases of W. L. Pickett, charged with vagrancy; Jessie Thomas, charged with being a nuisance, and Charles Russell, charged with assault, were continued until next Thursday.

MAJOR LITTLE RESIGNS AS COUNTY CHAIRMAN

Of the Democratic Executive Committee of New Hanover.

Mr. J. Herbert Johnston Elected as Successor to Fill Unexpired Term—Call for Precinct Meetings Made Yesterday.

On account of the fact that he intends to be actively engaged in pushing his candidacy for the Democratic nomination for Congress from the Sixth District, Maj. Joseph W. Little, who has served very efficiently as chairman of the New Hanover Democratic Executive committee for the last two years, submitted his resignation to become effective at once, and Mr. J. Herbert Johnston, a well known farmer of Cape Fear township, was elected as his successor at a meeting of the committee yesterday at noon.

The meeting of the committee was called by Major Little for the purpose of issuing a call for the precinct meetings to be held on April 15th to name delegates to the county convention which will be held in Wilmington on April 22nd. At the county convention delegates will be named for the State Democratic Convention, which meets in Raleigh on April 27th.

The meeting was held in the office of Major Little, who presided, and Mr. Thos. E. Cooper, the secretary, kept a record of the proceedings. Members of the committee attending the meeting included Messrs. T. J. Burnett, G. C. McIntire, Garrett Walker, E. H. Munson, W. W. Love, J. Herbert Johnston, L. Larkins and B. Frank King, Jr.

The committee recommended that Messrs. C. W. Woodward and E. Piner be continued as members of the County Board of Elections. The board is composed of three members, Messrs. Woodward and Piner being the Democrats.

Major Little explained that as he would necessarily be out of the city for a great part of the time during the remainder of the term for which he had been elected he deemed it wise to resign. He expressed his appreciation of the honor that had been conferred upon him and thanked his colleagues for the cordial co-operation they had extended him in carrying on the work of chairman.

Resolutions were adopted by the committee expressing regret that Major Little felt it his duty to resign, and thanking him for his efficient work of the past two years.

Mr. J. Herbert Johnston was unanimously elected to fill the unexpired term, ending in June. Mr. Johnston is a well known citizen of the county and has long been interested in political affairs.

BIG COLORED ATTRACTION AT ACADEMY OF MUSIC.

Fisk Jubilee Singers Will Give Benefit Performance Monday Night.

The Fisk Jubilee singers, who have an international reputation, will give an entertainment at the Academy of Music on Monday night for the benefit of the playground for colored children at the Williston Industrial school. Seats will be reserved for white patrons. The seats will be sold at popular prices, the highest being 50 cents. On March 9th the Fisk singers sang for President Wilson at the White House and the Washington Star of that date said:

"Melodious quartette voices of negro jubilee singers were heard in the cabinet room of the White House today for the first time since the erection of the presidential offices. President Wilson himself requested the songs and stood delighted while the quartette rendered 'Swing Low, Sweet Chariot,' 'Steal Away,' and 'Lord, I Want to be a Soldier.' The singers were from Fisk University, Nashville, Tenn. They have sung in many parts of the world. They went to the White House to meet the President, being accompanied by Rev. C. H. Stepteau, pastor of the Metropolitan A. M. E. church, of this city. The new Secretar yof War, Newton D. Baker, was with the President when the singers arrived.

"The President asked them to wait in the cabinet room until his conference was concluded, as he would like to hear them. They did so. After singing for the President and receiving his thanks and congratulations, they went into one of Secretary Tumulty's private rooms and there rendered three or four other songs, to the delight of a large audience admitted to hear them, including some distinguished members of Congress."

MRS. WALTER HUGHSON TO MAKE ADDRESS TO WOMEN.

At St. James' Parish House Tomorrow in Behalf of Hospital.

Mrs. Walter Hughson, widow of the lamented Archdeacon Hughson, who for so many years was engaged in missionary work in Western North Carolina, will address the women of the Episcopal church and all others who are interested, at St. James' Parish House on Monday afternoon at 4 o'clock. Mrs. Hughson is business manager of Grace Hospital at Morganton, an institution founded by Archdeacon Hughson, and she is seeking to carry on this work. This hospital treats patients regardless of religious affiliations and is doing a great work.

Mrs. Hughson comes to Wilmington from New York and Washington, and other Northern cities, where she spent several weeks in the interest of the hospital.

It is hoped that there will be a large audience present to hear Mrs. Hughson's address tomorrow afternoon. The public is cordially invited.

PURCHASE PECAN TREES.

Commissioners Authorize Buying of Thousand to Plant on Highways.

The Board of County Commissioneds of New Hanover county have authorized the purchase of a thousand pecan trees to be planted on the public highways. They have been ordered and are expected to arrive this week. They will be planted under the supervision of Mr. J. P. Herring, county farm demonstrator, and will be placed at the most desirable points. In addition to being splendid shade trees, pecans are very productive after a few years and these trees should bring the county quite a bit of revenue later.

Last year the Board of Commissioners had 2,000 sycamore trees planted on the Wrightsville and Masonboro roads. It is the plan to have some trees planted every year and these will add materially to the beauty of the surroundings.

VAGRANTS MAY GET YEAR EACH

County and City Officers Combine Forces and Round Up 13 Alleged Vagrants—Will Continue Campaign.

A crusade in which it is proposed to round up all vagrants in the city was begun yesterday morning by the peace officers of both the county and city and by nightfall no less than 12 negroes and one white man had been arrested on the charge of living a life of idleness. While 30 days is the maximum sentence which can be imposed under the statute upon first offenders, Recorder R. G. Empie declared last night that if they are old offenders and it is alleged in the warrant that they have been heretofore convicted of vagrancy, the Recorder has the power, in his discretion, to send them to the roads for as much as one year.

Although the above number of arrests is an altogether creditable showing for the first day, Justice George Harriss before whom the greater number of vagrants will be arraigned tomorrow morning, declared that "it is just a starter," and the campaign will be continued this week with renewed vigor.

County Officer H. Mack Godwin, assisted by Constable J. H. Davis and Officers E. C. Reynolds, Leon George and D. W. Coleman were kept busy practically the whole day in picking up alleged vagrants for whom they had warrants.

The following eight colored men were arrested on charges of vagrancy and committed to jail by Justice George Harriss for a hearing tomorrow morning: Herbert Cowan, Harold Williams, Herbert Leonard, John Price, John Hunter, Norwood Hunter, James Hall and Dave Henderson.

In addition to the above who are now incarcerated in the county jail, the following were arrested and locked up at the police station: W. L. Pickett, white, and four negroes, William Johnson, James Betts, Joe Wilson, Bud Cobb and Tom Wells.

Recorder Empie in discussing last night the recently enacted statute which gives the Recorder and higher courts the power to send old offenders up for as much as a year, explained that it must be specifically alleged in the warrant or bill of indictment that the defendant has been previously convicted for vagrancy. This is required, he stated, in order that such a person may have the opportunity to defend himself against the more serious charge.

So far, the Recorder stated that he has never had a person before him so charged, although not long ago a negro girl was up on a charge of vagrancy who was in the habit of frequenting dance halls and it was sought to amend the warrant, but he refused to allow the document to be changed, as he did not think in her particular case, she deserved more than 30 days anyhow.

He intimated last night, however, that in very aggravated cases he might in the future impose as much as a year on the roads, especially if it was apparent that the man was making his living by thieving or the like. In the case of the ordinary harmless loafer, he stated that 60 to 90 days on the roads would be sufficient punishment, even where it is alleged and proven that he has been previously convicted on a similar charge.

TWO HOMES ARE ENTERED

Burglars, However, Got Nothing of Value From Residences in City.

A burglar entered the home of Mrs. Susan Holmes, No. 215 North Third street, Friday night, by raising a side window. The only thing missed was a box of papers which the robber probably took with the idea that it contained money, but which he later dropped in the yard. The robbery was reported to the police department yesterday morning, and Officer W. H. Kermon took one of the city bloodhounds to the scene. The dog trailed from the open window to the box of papers and back into the house.

Mr. L. B. Pierce, of No. 310 Grace street, also reported to the police that his house had been entered some time Friday night, by a burglar who raised one of the side windows. Nothing was missed by the owner and no clue as to the identity of the marauder was discovered by the police.

TO BUILD AT WINOCA

General Secretary Huntington of Y. M. C. A. to Live in Suburb.

General Secretary J. B. Huntington, of the Y. M. C. A., has purchased a lot at Winoca Terrace on Thirteenth street between Grace and Walnut streets and will within the near future build a modern home on it, the cost to be approximately $3,000. This suburb is building up rapidly and during the past week Mr. J. S. Funchess purchased a lot on the northeast corner of Thirteenth and Chestnut streets on which to erect a home in the near future.

Real Estate Transfers.

The following deeds were filed for record yesterday: Linsey Hobbs and wife to John E. Platt and wife, for $100 and other considerations, lot at Carolina Place; Wilmington Suburban Company to W. K. Rhodes, for $10 and other considerations, lot on east side of Fourth street, 33 feet south of Kidder, 33 by 75 feet in size; J. A. Carter and wife to James Owen Reilly, for $100 and other considerations, lot on south side of Marsteller street, 89 feet west of Eighth, 66 by 66 feet in size.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT.

On January 26th in her adopted home in the beautiful mountains of North Carolina, Florence Meares Perry entered into eternal rest, after a painful and lingering illness of many months.

A graduate of the James Walker Memorial Hospital, Class of 1907, she served cheerfully, skilfully and conscientiously in that walk of life in which it had pleased God to call her; casting sunshine in many a darkened home.

Her illness, borne with so much patience and fortitude was a benediction to those fortunate enough to be near her.

The Graduate Nurses of Wilmington, especially those of her class, wish to pay a slight tribute of their love and esteem to her memory. Therefore, be it resolved,

1st: That in the death of Florence Meares Perry, our Association has lost a faithful and true member and the community in which she ministered will find her place hard to fill.

2nd: That a copy of this, our tribute, be sent to her bereaved family and a page spread upon our minutes.

Respectfully submitted,
S. A. KELLY,
M. HOUSTON,
L. MARTIN,
Committee.

(Advertisement.)

How Much Do You Save?—Where Does It Go?

HAVE YOU $10 LEFT WHEN THE MONTH IS OVER, OR COULD YOU HAVE, IF YOU TRIED?

OLD AGE IS COMING TO ALL OF US, AND RAINY DAYS TO A LARGE PERCENTAGE OF THE PEOPLE. ARE YOU SAVING ANYTHING? THIS INSTITUTION IS THE "HOME OF SAVINGS." MAKE IT THE HOME OF YOUR SAVINGS. We STAND ON OUR OWN MERITS, AND AS A STRONG, GROWING, SECURE INSTITUTION WHICH HAS SERVED AS A DEPOSITARY FOR THE PEOPLE FOR 16 YEARS, WE OFFER YOU OUR SERVICES AND FACILITIES. "SAFETY BEFORE PROFITS" IS OUR MOTTO.

OLD AND STRONG.

THE PEOPLES SAVINGS BANK

CORNER FRONT AND PRINCESS STREETS.

SCOTTISH RITE REUNION

Higher Degrees of Masonry to Be Conferred at Spring Convocation This Week in Wilmington.

The spring reunion of the Scottish Rite Freemasonry of the Valley of Wilmington will be held in this city this week beginning Tuesday and continuing through Thursday. All the higher degrees of Masonry from the Fourth to the Thirty-second inclusive will be conferred at this reunion and the prospects are that there will be quite a large class of candidates. Arrangements will be made for entertaining a large number of out-of-town Masons, who will be here for the reunion.

Degrees from the Fourth to Fourteenth inclusive will be conferred Tuesday beginning at 11 o'clock and continuing through the day. This work will be in charge of Johnson Blakely Lodge of Perfection. Cape Fear Chapter Rose Croix will meet Tuesday evening to confer the degrees through the Eighteenth.

Beginning at 11 a. m. Wednesday and continuing through the day, Liberty Council of Kadosh will confer the degrees through the Thirtieth, the last degree being conferred on Wednesday evening. The reunion will close on Thursday evening when Wilmington Consistory will confer the Thirty-first and Thirty-second degrees.

DIED.

McEACHERN—In Hendersonville, N. C., March 17th, J. D. McEachern, in the 60th year of his age. Interment will be in Jacksonville, Fla.

(advertisement.)

Achievement In Banking

Is best told in Figures. The success and continually growing resources of this institution are the strongest arguments in favor of YOUR doing business with us—the "SAFETY FIRST" Bank.

	Capital and Surplus.	Deposits.	Resources.
1915	$366,258.18	$2,056,893.42	$2,423,186.60
1916	385,520.69	2,425,779.84	2,822,334.03

The Wilmington Savings & Trust Company

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A Fine and Complete Display Of New Art Needlework

We have never shown more or prettier patterns than we present in this collection of new ideas. It would have to be a peculiar requirement that this display of art needlework failed to meet. There is an amazing variety of designs, already worked and to be worked, in towels, center pieces, pillow tops, corset covers, boudoir caps, jackets, afghans, gowns, kimonos, etc.

We are sure that you will find our prices considerably lower than must be paid elsewhere for the same goods.

Save Money on Threads.

J. & P. Coats' Mercerized Crochet all sizes; per ball 10c
R. M. C. Mercerized Cordonet, all sizes and colors, per ball . . 8c
Royal Society Cordichet, all colors and sizes, at 10c
Columbia Mercerized Crochet, white and colors, at 10c
Sylvia Four-Strand Embroidery cotton, all colors, per ball . . 5c
Columbia Tatting Cotton, all colors, per ball 5c
Royal Society Skein cottons and Silks; all sizes and colors.

Royal Society Package Outfits.

Complete Spring line, including Muslin Underwear, Waists, Children's Dresses, Carriage Robes, Table Runners, Baby Caps, Boudoir Caps, Aprons, Etc.—Every package complete, with enough thread to complete the embroidery. Packages . . . 25c to $1.00

Pink Stamped Under Muslins

The latest craze in Underwear is for the pink or flesh color, and we have here a complete line made up and stamped, ready to be embroidered.

Gowns, at 98c
Combinations, at . . . 98c
Corset Covers, at . . . 48c
Vests, at 48c

Bone or Steel Tatting Shuttles at . 10c
Crochet Hooks, Steel or Bone at . . 5c
Newest Patent Embroidery Hoops, all sizes, at 10c
New Royal Society Crochet Book, No. 7, at 10c
Celluloid and Steel Thimbles, at . . 5c
Pearl and Ivory Rings, for fancy work, at 5c
Crowley's Foundation Letters, all sizes, and styles.

Children's made-up, stamped Pique Dresses, 6 to 10 year sizes, $1.50, $2
Big line Stamped Pillow Tops with backs to match; prices 25c and 50c
Lot Linen Table Runners, at 50c to 75c
Linen Huck Stamped Towels, at . . 75c
Linen Huck Stamped Guest Towels, at only . . . . . 35c and 45c
Luncheon Sets, stamped on "Needle weave," at 98c

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SOCIAL and PERSONAL

Mrs. Nina Nance, of Chadbourn, was a visitor in the city yesterday, and a guest at the Orton.

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Mrs. A. L. Freeman left last night for Richmond, Va., where she will visit Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Freeman.

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Mrs. J. B. McLean, of Columbia, S. C., is the guest of Mrs. Charles Hagood, 115 North Third street.

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Mrs. R. W. Swann left yesterday morning for Swann's Station, where she will visit relatives for a few days.

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Mrs. J. Davis Robbins, Jr., left yesterday for Bishopville, S. C., where she will visit her sister, Mrs. George H. Skinner.

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Dunn Dispatch: "Mrs. R. W. Hicks, of Wilmington, after spending a few days here with her son, Mr. C. S. Hicks, returned home Monday.

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At the morning service of the First Baptist church today, Mr. Samuel Jennings Springer will sing "The Penitent," by Van de Water.

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Miss Mary Woolvin is at home from Washington, D. C., where she is in school, to spend a Spring vacathion with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James F. Woolvin.

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Mrs. H. M. Flagler, of New York, and Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Kenan, Jr., of Lockport, N. Y., who have been spending some time at Palm Beach, Fla., arrived in the city yesterday to visit relatives.

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The regular monthly meeting of the Daughters of the Confederacy will be held Monday afternoon at 4 o'clock at the W. L. I. armory. A large attendance is desired. There will be a meeting of the executive committee at 3:30 o'clock.

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A silver tea will be given next Thursday afternoon and evening at the residence of Mrs. J. H. Dreher, No. 807 Princess street, by Mrs. Dreher and Mrs. W. S. Clayton, who will be assisted by a number of ladies of the St. Paul's Lutheran church. All members and their friends are invited to attend.

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Fayetteville Observer, Thursday: "Miss Lydia Holland was hostess on yesterday to 'Tea and Topics Club' at her home on Dick street. The following papers were much enjoyed: 'The Music Drama,' Miss Mary Gorham; 'Wagner's Ring of the Nibelung,' Miss Mattie Lou Anderson. Mrs. Claude Rankin was a guest of the club."

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BENEFIT ASSOCIATION TO HAVE BANQUET MONDAY NIGHT

The Women's Benefit Association, formerly the Maccabees of the World, have just closed a membership contest between the "Blues" and "Pinks" which was won by the former and they are to be entertained at a banquet by the "Pinks" tomorrow night. The occasion promises to be a most enjoyable one and all the members of the association are cordially invited to attend.

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Thursday's Fayetteville Observer: "The Would-Be-Wise Club was entertained yesterday by Miss Annie M. Pemberton at her home on Dick street. The following was the programme: 'Tannhauser, Wagner'—'Other German Composers,' Miss Campbell; 'Story of Opera,' Miss Bidgood; 'Bayreuth, Wagner's Home,' Mrs. Charles Rose; Victrola selections, 'Pilgrim's Chorus,' Thannhauser March,' 'Song of the Evening Star.'"

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Wilson, N. C., March 18.—Mrs. W. D. Adams was hostess at a charming little dinner party given Friday evening and the event was the announcement of the approaching marriage of Miss Harriett Settle to Mr. B. B. Flyler. The event is scheduled for May 25. Miss Settle is one of the attractive young women of Wilson and for several years a member of the faculty of the music department of the Atlantic Christian College. She is a sister of Mrs. J. C. Caldwell.

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Beginning tomorrow afternoon at 4 o'clock, the women's societies of the First Presbyterian church will hold a series of meetings with attractive programmes. The regular business part of the meteings will be followed by social sessions. The Ladies' Foreign Missionary Society will have charge of the missionary part of the programmes and the Home Missionary Auxiliary will have charge of the literary features. All members of the societies are requested to attend and members of the congregation are also invited to be present.

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CHRISTIAN ENDEAVORERS TO HAVE SOCIAL TUESDAY NIGHT

The chairman of the publication committee of the Westminster Christian Endeavor Society of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church makes the following announcement:

"Will those who went abroad with Henry be known as Ford runabouts? We can't answer this, but we can tell you that if you will attend our social on next Thursday evening you will have a 'dandy' time. Where is the social? Why in the Memorial Hall of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church. The time? Oh yes! Probably 8:15 P. M. You will come? That's fine, bring a friend."

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Lumberton, N. C., March 18.—Invitations were received here this week reading as follows:

Mr. and Mrs. William Fitzhugh Williams
request the pleasure of your company
at the marriage of their daughter
Margaret Bruce
to
Mr. John Heath
on Wednesday evening the fifth of
April
nineteen hundred and sixteen
at half after six o'clock
St. Stephen's Church
Red Springs, North Carolina
At Home
after April the fifteenth
American Legation
Habana, Cuba.

Miss Williams is a sister of Mrs. T. A. McNeill, Jr., of Lumberton and is well known in Lumberton.

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Whiteville News-Reporter: Mrs. Sarah Coleman, of Wilmington, has been on a visit to Mrs. K. D. Hardee.—Little Miss Katherine Tucker, of Wilmington, was a guest of Misses Margaret and Kathleen Baldwin this week.—Mrs. L. V. Grady, Mrs. A. E. Powell and Miss Eleta Gilmer were in Wilmington to attend the Reciprocity Convention there this week.—It is understood that Duncan Memory is improving very rapidly. Mr. Memory is in the James Walker Memorial Hospital in Wilmington.—The many friends of Mr. Frank Hester will be glad to know that he has returned after undergoing a severe operation at the James Walker Memorial Hospital in Wilmington—Mrs. Leona McDonald, president of the Civic League, of Chadbourn, arrived in Wilmington Tuesday to attend the Reciprocity day conference of the Woman's Clubs. She was the guest of her daughter, Mrs. J. J. Anderson, No. 304 North Second street.

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Southport, N. C., March 18.—Secretary A. Murray Thomson, of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew, Wilmington, has written a very cordial letter of thanks to Col. Robert Stride for the splendid co-operation given by the Southport people in the recent bazaar at Wilmington. The total proceeds of the bazaar reached over $1,500 and so far as Mr. Thomson could ascertain none of the articles contributed from Southport were left unsold. In the course of his letter the secretary said: "The ladies of the needlework committee were greatly delighted with the assortment of articles from St. Philips Ladies Auxiliary and desire me to express their especial thanks to Mrs. Height and her fellow workers. I should also like to acknowledge the kindness and courtesy of the proprietors of the Amusu Theatre and the Southport Canning Factory, which were so productive of good results."

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MISS FANNIE MONROE HOSTESS TO CHILDREN OF CONFEDERACY

Warsaw, N. C., March 18.—The Little Confederates chapter C. of C., was entertained by Miss Fannie Monroe at her home on Friday afternoon from 4 till 6. Routine work was disposed of, after which an historical programme was rendered. This was followed by a reading, "Ruins of Appamattox," by Miss Monroe, and two piano duets by Misses Evelyn and Elizabeth Anderson, and Julia Ricks and Fannie Monroe. It was decided to give an entertainment for the purpose of raising funds, at an early date. A new member, Miss Leone Best was enrolled.

Mrs. J. C. Russ, assisted by Mrs. Clarence Brown, served hot chocolate and wafers, followed by fruit and candy.

Guests, exclusive of members and leader, were Mesdames Elwood Tate, J. C. Russ and C. J. Brown. The meeting closed with "Dixie."

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ORGAN RECITAL TO BE GIVEN AT GRACE CHURCH.

An organ recital is to be given in Grace Methodist church on Monday evening, March 27, by Mr. H. A. Shirley, dean of music of Salem College, Winston-Salem, N. C. The recital is to be given under the auspices of North Carolina Sorosis of Wilmington, but there will be no charge for admission and a cordial invitation will be extended the public generally to attend.

Mr. Shirley is well known throughout the State as one of the leading musicians. He has been dean of music of Salem College for thirteen or fourteen years. He is ex-president of the North Carolina Music Teachers' Association and has recently inaugurated the Shirley Loving Cup to be given for the best composition in music. In addition to the selections rendered by Mr. Shirley there will be a few renditions by local talent, and an entertaining programme is promised music lovers who attend the recital.

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BRUNSWICK COUNTY TO HAVE BETTER BABIES CONTEST

Southport News: "Every mother is requested to enter her baby in the contest for Better Babies which begins April 10th. The County babies and Southport babies are urged to take part. Don't forget the object of this contest which has been mentioned in other issues of the News. This being th efirst contest of the kind in Brunswick County, we trust that all will be in interested and co-operate with the Civic Club in this work for betterment.—The literary meeting of the Civic Club Wednesday P. M. the 8th, conducted by Mrs. Robert Davis was quite a success. The subject for the afternoon was Mexico and Huerta. Mr. Vickers gave a sketch of Huerta's life in a very interesting and instructive manner. Mrs. R. E. Ransom gave the history of Mexico and told several myths. Mrs. Ransom was at her best, and each member of the Club felt greatly benefited and more familiar with our next door neighbor. Mrs. Joe Ruark and Miss Lollie Bussels were hostesses. Delicious refreshments were served and the time passed away pleasantly for all."

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WASHINGTON, N. C., SOCIETY GIRL EARNS $45 WALKING

Kinston, N. C., March 18.—Dr. W. H. Carter, a Washington dentist, telephoned friends on Main street there to "head off" Miss Robena Carter, his daughter, after she had walked all day long from a lumber mill to Windmill point and back via the principal thoroughfare many times. On Main

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OPENING UP

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A. D. BROWN

The Store that Sells Wooltex Coats—Suits—Coats

PREPARING FOR CAMPAIGN

Membership Committee of the Y. M. C. A. Will Arrange for Inter-City Contest Tuesday Night.

Eight hundred members and the cup is the slogan of the Young Men's Christian Association for the approaching Inter-City Y. M. C. A. membership contest which begins Tuesday, March 28, and continues through April 4. The membership committee of the association will meet at a supper Tuesday night when arrangements for the contest will be made.

Among the cities that will enter the contest in addition to Wilmington will be Charlote, Columbia, Charleston, Jacksonville and Tampa. Each of these cities have live associations and a lively contest for the cup is promised. However, Wilmington Y. M. C. A. members express themselves as confident that with the handicap feature which is designed to place all associations on an equality so far as numbers are concerned will make it possible for Wilmington to bring the cup here.

At the meeting Tuesday night team leaders will be selected and the active organization for the campaign will then be gotten under way.

There have already been a large number of volunteers, who have promised to take part in the contest and General Secretary Huntington would appreciate others following suit. Now is the time to come to the help of the association.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

—Mr. J. C. Newsom, of Sloop's Point, was a business visitor in the city yesterday.

—Maj. Joseph W. Little went to Whiteville yesterday afternoon on a business trip.

—Mr. H. H. Williams, of Salisbury, was a guest at the Hotel Wilmington last night.

—Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Colle, of Wallace, were guests last night at the Hotel Wilmington.

—Mr. W. Worth Bean, Jr., and family, of Bolton, were guests last night at the Hotel Wilmington.

—Friends will regret to learn that Mr. A. S. Holden is confined to his home at Winter Park on account of illness.

—Mr. J. F. Rulfs returned yesterday from Roanoke, Va., where he attended the Lutheran Laymen's Convention of the South.

—After an absence of 12 years, during which time he lived in New York, Mr. F. H. Scott, who believes that after all there is no place like Wilmington, has returned to this city to live.

—Senator W. B. Cooper returned yesterday from Tampa, Fla., where he went to visit his brother, Mr. P. S. Cooper, president of the First National Bank of Dunn, who has been recuperating in the Florida city from a serious illness. Senator Cooper reports that his condition is very much improved.

LOCAL DOTS.

—Rev. C. L. Evarts will speak at St. Stephen's A. M. E. church Thursday night at 8 o'clock under the auspices of Bible Class No. 13.

—John Hill, colored, was arrested last night by Policeman R. J. Thompson on a warrant charging violation of the prohibition law and Albert Bishop, white, was arrested on a similar charge by Policeman W. W. Lewis.

—The barge Tuckerhoe, 466 tons, has arrived in port from Philadelphia with a part cargo of pyrites which is being discharged for one of the local fertilizer plants. The barge was towed to Cape Fear bar by an ocean going tug and was there picked up and towed up the river by one of the Wilmington tugs.

BUYS CARLOAD CATTLE

Mr. A. H. Ahrens Purchases Holsteins in New York—Returns From Trip.

Mr. Adolph G. Ahrens, of this city, returned Friday night from Tulley, N. Y., where he went to purchase additional cattle for his dairy, "Pine Grove," on the Federal Point Road, his business having grown so that he found that it would be profitable to increase his herd.

His purchase was made in Tulley, N. Y., a large cattle breeding center, and consisted of ten thoroughbred Holsteins, and give grade Holsteins, all tuberculin tested which is required for entrance to North Carolina.

Mr. Ahrens reports that while on his way North he encountered a severe snow storm and that the snow at Tulley was 12 inches deep, which condition seems very unseasonable in the Sunny South.

TO SPEAK ON ROBERT LEE

Mr. C. Walton Johnson Will Make Address to Boys at Y. M. C. A. Today.

Mr. Walton Johnson, boys' work secretary for the Y. M. C. A., will make the address at the boys' meeting at the Y. M. C. A. this afternoon at 4:45 o'clock. His subject will be "Robert E. Lee" and he will tell the boys many important facts about this great Southern general. There will be a special musical programme. All the boys of the city are urged to attend.

To Have Beautiful Hair and Lots of it, Daily Care is Needed

"I'd certainly give anything if I could only get some life and lustre into my hair," declares almost every woman whose appearance is marred by ugly lifeless, scraggy locks. And yet if she will only follow a few simple suggestions she too may soon be envied for her beautiful hair.

Just try these simple directions today: Pour a little Parisian Sage into the hollow of the hand and wet the hair roots thoroughly with it. Rub it well into the scalp until dry, and a soft tingling glow is felt over the entire scalp. Do this regularly for a few days and occasionally wet your brush with the tonic and gently brush the hair. You will certainly be astonished and your friends also at the remarkable transformation this simple treatment will make in the appearance of your hair, giving it life, lustre and beauty.

Two important things to remember are that the hair must be kept clean and that you surely use Parisian Sage. The genuine Parisian Sage may be secured at R. R. Bellamy's or any first-class drug store. Its cost is very small and it is absolutely guaranteed to give you satisfaction or money back.

Come to Our FAMOUS UNTRIMMED MILLINERY DEPT.

We have just received a new lot of Hemp shapes to be sold at 69c; they are fully worth twice this and can be trimmed with ribbon and flowers for 98c.

We are also showing a beautiful line of Veilings—Malines in all shades to make the hat pretty. All hats are trimmed free when material is bought at our store.

SPRING COAT SUITS

Made in Poplin, Shepherd Checks, Gaberdines, Serges and Taffeta Silks.

SHIRT WAISTS

In Voile, Crepe de Chine and China Silks, at Popular Prices. New Spring Dresses coming in daily.

DRESS GOODS BOUGHT BEFORE THE ADVANCE

Here we can save you real money. Our Dress Goods are all of the Very Newest and of Fast Colors. Let us show you what you can buy at 10c, 15c and 25c per yard, in Mercerized Waistings, Voiles and Rice Voiles, Batistes, Linens and Gaberdines, in All the Leading Shades.

Men's Clothing

The last steamer brought us the new Spring Line of Men's and Young Men's Clothing. All wool Blue Serge Suits, soft finish, excellent fitting suit, for $12.50.

Also a line of Half-wool Suits, fast colors, good-looking Suits, to be sold at $7.98 to $9.95.

Men's and Young Men's Hats

New and nobby styles, to be sold at old prices, from $1.50 to $3.00.

We are also showing a wonderful line of Men's Shirts at 69c.

Boys' "Kaynee" Shirts and Blouses, each 50c.

APRIL STANDARD PATTERNS ARE ON SALE.

J. W. H. Fuchs' Dept. Store

28 to 30 South Front Street

APRIL STANDARD PATTERNS ARE ON SALE.

MR. HAMILTON OFF TODAY

Principal of Hemenway Goes to New Position in Raleigh, N. C.

The Wilmington public, no less than the teachers and pupils of the Hemenway Graded School, will regret to know that Mr. Oscar A. Hamilton, for the past six years principal of the Hemenway, leaves this evening for Raleigh where he will take up his position as North Carolina representative of the American Text Book Company, his resignation here having been announced several days ago.

Mr. Hamilton will spend a day or two in Raleigh and will later go to New York to get in close touch with the duties of his new position in the State. It goes without saying that his departure is genuinely regretted for no man in the educational experience of the county has won a higher place in the confidence and esteem of the people at large. And the same may be said in a large measure of the State for his work has frequently taken him to other cities and towns in North Carolina, where he has always made a splendid impression. Mrs. Hamilton and child will remain in Wilmington for the present, their friends will be glad to know.

On yesterday just as he had concluded his work at Hemenway, the teachers in that institution as a slight mark of their appreciation sent to his home a very handsome traveling suit case, this having followed the pretty expression contained in the resolutions of appreciations printed yesterday.

On Friday morning at the regular morning exercises Mr. Hamilton was given another fine expression of the esteem in which he is held as he was beginning the last day of his services at Hemenway. Several of his services at Hemenway. Several of his friends incidentally dropped in for the morning and the exercises in the end took the form of a farewell to the principal quit espontaneously. Among the speakers were Rev. A. D. McClure, D. D., pastor of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church; Judge George Rountree, Mr. Odis B. Hinnant, and others in charge of boys' work in the city. They all spoke in the highest terms of Mr. Hamilton, who was so overcome with the manifestation of their good will that he was unable to more than briefly respond.

GOAT MILK HEALTHFUL.

Mr. A. G. Warren Thinks It Would be Good Thing to Raise Goats.

The suggestion that a milk depot be established in Wilmington has met with a hearty reception on the part of the dairymen and others in the vicinity of Wilmington. It has been discussed a great deal and it is not unlikely that it will materialize into something more definite than an idea in a short time.

Mr. A. G. Warren, who is already conducting a milk depot on a small scale, stated yesterday that in his opinion it would be a splendid enterprise for the city.

Mr. Warren suggested that it would be a fine thing if farmers and others would grow goats. While the use of goat milk is not much in vogue in this section, Mr. Warren pointed out that this milk is not only wholesome but that it is very healthful. Mr. Warren called attention to the use made of this milk by Swiss dairymen and stated that some of the finest products from that country in the way of chocolates have goat's milk for a constituent. The fact that a goat is largely able to shift for himself would seem to make the idea a very practicable one.

MR. McEACHERN DEAD.

News of His Death at Hendersonville is Received Here.

News of the death of Mr. J. D. McEachern, 60 years old, which occurred at Hendersonville March 17, has been received by relatives in this city, where he has four brothers, Messrs. Duncan, N. M., A. O., and W. H. McEachern. Although Mr. McEachern has been engaged in the lumber business at Hendersonville and in Jacksonville, Fla., for some time past, his home was in Wilmington.

He is survived by his widow, formerly Miss Lucy Taylor, of this city; two daughters, Mrs. Richard Sasnet and Mrs. Eugene Burroughs, both of Jacksonville, Fla.; three sons, Messrs. W. H., Jr., of Jacksonville; R. T., of New York City, and J. T. McEachern, of Tampa, Fla. The remains will be sent to Jacksonville for interment.

The deceased was well known in this city and had a great many friends who will regret to learn of his death and who will sympathize with the members of the family in their bereavement.

DERRICK TO SPEAK AT CHURCH

Will Speak at Fifth Avenue Church on Experiences in Germany.

Mr. Ramsingh Derrick, of Madras, India, will speak at Fifth Avenue Methodist church this evening on his experiences in Berlin following the outbreak of the European War.

Mr. Derrick is a native of India and at one time resided in this city. Soon after the outbreak of the war in Europe he was forced to serve in the German army. He was on the Kronprins Wilhelm when that vessel was interned at Newport News, Va.

Mr. Derrick will speak to the Crusaders of the Y. M. C. A. Boys' Department at their meeting this afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. He will tell something about the Y. M. C. A. and its work in India.

BEGIN WORK THIS WEEK.

Mr. J. E. Huey Has Contract for Improvements at Yacht Club.

Mr. J. E. Huey has been awarded the contract for the improvements to be made at the Carolina Yacht Club building at Wrightsville Beach and plans to begin work Tuesday morning. The approximate cost of the improvements will be about $2,600. The work is to be finished by May 10th, so that the building will be ready for occupancy with the beginning of the summer season. The building will be remodeled throughout. The plans were drawn by Gause & Lynch, architects.

TIN WEDDING CELEBRATED BY MR. AND MRS. J. W. BLAKE.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Blake most delightfully entertained last evening at their home, No. 202 Castle street, in honor of their tenth wedding anniversary.

The home was attractively decorated in red and pink and about forty guests called during the evening to wish Mr. and Mrs. Blake many happy returns. Light refreshments were served and the host and hostess received a large number of very useful presents suitable upon the occasion of their tin wedding.

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SOCIAL

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street crowds were cheering the pretty young woman, says the report. Miss Carter is a member of a leading social set in Washington. Dr. Carter one evening recently told his daughter, who boosted of her ability as a pedestrian, that he would give her a penny to walk the round of distance of three miles from the mill to the point and back, and multiply the reward, as from one to two, two to four, four to 16, 16 to 32, and so on, for as many additional trips as she chose to make. Dr. Carter forgot the matter and went out of town. During his absence Miss Carter got busy. He returned at night to learn from his wife that he was already indebted to the girl in the sum of more than $45. "She's walking yet." "Horrors." A druggist got Dr. Carter's message and stopped Miss Robena. She got the money, except $5, for getting lonesome after a bit, Miss Carter had hired a friend to make several of the trips with her for that sum.

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MISS VIRGINIA BELLE BRASWELL BRIDE OF MR. LEONARD DOZIER

Kinston, N. C., March 18.—Announcement of the marriage of Miss Virginia Belle Braswell, of this city, to Mr. Leonard Dozier, of Jacksonville, Fla., was made here last night. The wedding took place in Jacksonville on March 7. The couple have taken up residence at 3219 Pearl street, Jacksonville. The news occasioned considerable surprise among the bride's friends here. Mrs. Dozier was one of Kinston's best-known young women. She is a rather striking brunette, and accomplished. She visited in Florida for several months some time ago, and returned there recently. Mrs. Dozier's especial talent is in expression. She is a graduate of a leading New York institution. Her mother, Mrs. Mary L. Braswell, is a business woman of this city. The bridegroom's mother is said to have been from this State, but he was born in Florida. Mr. Dozier visited in North Carolina as a boy, and is known to some persons here. He is a young man of reputed intelligence and enterprise and is in business at Jacksonville.

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Chadbourn Herald: "Mrs. M. G. Williamson, of Evergreen, was taken to the James Walker Hospital, Wilmington, yesterday morning for an operation. She was accompanied by Dr. Mnnts, of Boardman. We hope for her a speedy recovery.—Mrs. H. W. Whitney, who has been sick for sometime, left yesterday for James Walker Memorial Hospital, Wilmington, where she will be under treatment. She was accompanied by her daughter, Mrs. Nina Nance.—Mr. C. E. Humphrey, traveling salesman for Swift Company, Wilmington, was a caller here Tuesday.—Mr. C. E. Haskett, organizer of Fruit Growers' Exchange, Wilmington, is spending several days in town this week, in the interest of his business.—Mr. J. D. Powell, of Wilmington, was seen in our town Monday.—Mr. J. A. Brothers, traveling salesman from Wilmington, spent Monday in town.—Mr. G. C. Vincent, of Wilmington, was calling in our town Monday.—Mr. C. C. Reece, traveling agent from Wilmington, spent the day Tuesday in our city—Mr. F. D. French, of Wilmington, spent Monday in our city."

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VISIT OF MRS. T. W. LINGLE TO CLINTON THE PAST WEEK

Sampson Democrat: "A large number of representive women of Clinton met in the auditorium of the school building Tuesday afternoon to hear an address by Mrs. Lingle, President of the State Federation of Woman's Clubs. Mrs. James Thomas, president of the Sorosis, presided and in a few appropriate words introduced the speaker. The chorus class of the high school gave a song and all the audience rose and joined in the singing of "Carolina." Mrs. Lingle's address was on the work the clubs through the State are doing. She emphasized the fact that women's work has not changed but is still in the home and dealing with matters connected with home life, the change being in the economic conditions under which her work now is done. That the Woman's Club has proven a factor for good in every town that has one was clearly brought out and Mrs. Lingle heartily endorsed the formation of such a club for Clinton. Mrs. Lingle is a speaker possessing much charm of manner and her earnest, well chosen words held the audience's closest attention. At the conclusion of her address Mrs. R. E. Lee rose and expressed the desire in Clinton for such a club and gracefully endorsed Mrs. Lingle's sentiments. A vote then being taken a large number of the women present joined the new clu band arranged to meet Wednesday afternoon in the same place to consider further plans.

"Mrs. Thomas expressed heartiest appreciation to Mrs. Lingle in behalf of the women of Clinton and requested all present to wait and be introduced to the distinguished visitor. The hospitality committee served punch during the informal reception which followed."

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SAMPSON DAUGHTERS OF CONFEDERACY MONUMENT

Clinton, N. C., March 18.—The monument to be erected in Clinton as a memorial to the Confederate dead of Sampson County will be unveiled on the 12th of May, with appropriate exercises. The 12th was selected instead of the 10th, because it was impossible to make arangements on the latter date. Attorney General Themas W. Bickett will be speaker of the occasion and all of the Sampson County people who have had the good fortune to listen to his wonderful oratory will know that his speech will be worthy of the occasion. The contract for the monument was recently signed by the Daughters of the Confederacy and the builders, the Cooper Co., of Raleigh, have promised to have it erected by the 12th. The design selected was purchased at a cost of $1700. All who have known of the hard work which the Daughters have had in the raising of the funds to buy this monument will applaud this evidence of their success ,says the Democrat.

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At a recent benefit performance in Raleigh, a good sum was realized by the Raleigh chapter of the Peace Alumnae. Miss Hilda Way, State president, asks other places that have a group of "Peace girls" to make the last week in March "Peace week" and to undertake a definite piece of work for the benefit of their Alma Mater during that week. Wilmington Alumnae of Peace Institute have been advised of the movement and will like-co-operate fully.

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KINSTON NEWS NOTES OF INTEREST IN SOCIAL CIRCLES

Kinston, N. C., March 18.—Miss Elizabeth Dodson, of Adirondack, made an address to the Woman's Missionary Society of Atkinson Memorial Presbyterian church Thursday afternoon. Miss Dodson is visiting relatives here.

Mrs. Jesse Heath was the hostess at an affair in her North Kinston home Monday night in honor of Mrs. Emma E. Colmont, of Birmingham, Ala., Mrs. Heath's house guest. The Ladies' Club and other friends were the guests. Mrs. Colmont, a native of Louisiana, who is visiting in this section for the first time, is a descendant on her mother's side of the Herittages, Lovitts and Caswells, distinguished colonial families of Eastern Carolina, and on her father's of George Washington.

Mrs. Thomas Conway and children and Miss Margaret Conway, of Louisburg, have arrived here to join their husband and father, City Inspector Conway. The family expects to take up residence here shortly.

Having recuperated from a long illness at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Braxton, Miss Sadie Braxton returned to college in Raleigh this week.

Mrs. D. S. Barrus entertained the Booklovers' Club at her home on East Gordon street, Wednesday afternoon.

William Clyde Dunn, small son of Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Dunn, celebrated his fifth natal anniversary at the home of his parents on King street Tuesday afternoon from 3 until 5 o'clock. The guests numbered about 35. Refreshments were served. There was the customary cake, containing five candles, and the favors to the guests were tiny satchels filled with candy.

The Kinston Choral Society was organized Wednesday night, to be directed by Mrs. Lloyd Wooten, an accomplished local vocalist. It is expected to increase the membership until several hundred persons are enrolled.

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AFFAIRS OF A WEEK IN MT. OLIVE SOCIAL CIRCLES

Mount Olive, March 18.—The March meeting of the local chapter, Confederate Grays, U. D. C., was held at the home of Mrs. W. F. Martin. Mesdames W. F. Martin and H. M. Cox, and Misses Ada English and Annie Rose Southerland were hostesses.

The hall and large library were very lovely with their decorations of flags and flowers, and the occasion was one of the most pleasant the chapter has enjoyed this winter.

After the president, Miss Ellen McPhail, had terminated the business of the afternoon, she turned the meeting over to Mrs. E. N. Ricks, of the programme committee, who furnished a pleasant half hour with songs and readings. Mrs. M. T. Breazeale, leader of the Children's Chapter—the Junior Grays—gave a report of the week of this chapter.

Refreshments were served by the hostesses, assisted by Misses Margaret Martin and Catherine McLean.

One of the prettiest parties of the early spring season was that of Friday afternoon, when Mrs. W. C. Ward was at home to her many friends in honor of Mrs. Thadeus Thigpen. The decorations were very pretty, ferns, ivy and cut flowers being used in profusion.

On the arrival of the guests, they were greeted by Mrs. Fred R. Mintz and shown to the punch bowl, where Mesdames R. E. Wooten and R. A. McLean served fruit punch.

Mrs. E. B. Flowers led them to the parlor, where they were introduced to the receiving line, consisting of the hostess and honoree, with Miss Smythe, Mesdames A. G. Cox, H. M. Cox and R. C. Kornegay.

Miss Pearl Martin led the way into the dining room, which was lovely in its spring-like decorations. The table was one of artistic beauty, the color scheme being carried out throughout the entire decorations in pink and green. The glow of many candles cast a soft gleam everywhere. Here Misses Catherine McLean and Elizabeth Hall served a salad course with mints.

The guests were then led into the back hall, where Mesdames C. S. Smith and E. T. Watson served hot chocolate and wafers.

On Monday afternoon Mrs. W. S. Sanderson entertained the Ladies' Aid Society of the Methodist church. The president, Mrs. A. G. Cox, suggested several new plans for raising money, and this proved to be one of the most enthusiastic meetings the society has held. Mrs. Sanderson, assisted by Mesdames C. Fanelty and E. T. Watson, served hot chocolate, cakes and home-made candy.

The choir of the Methodist church was entertained at the home of Mrs. O. G. Gulley on Friday evening. Almost the entire choir was present, and much diligent and effective practice was accomplished on what promises to be a splendid repertoire of Easter music. Those fortunate enough to be present felt amply repaid for the hard work of the evening when the hostess invited the guests into the dining room, where, amid a profusion of flowers, a salad course was served.

On Tuesday evening Mrs. H. M. Cox entertained the Wesleyan Philathea class of the Methodist Sunday school at her attractive new bungalow on James street, it being the regular monthly social and business meeting of the class.

The routine of business having ended, Mrs. Cox, assisted by her sister, Miss Ada English, served a salad course; and then Mrs. Thadeus Thigpen, a bride of a few weeks, was invited into the kitchen to take some lessons from Mrs. Cox in practical housekeeping, where, to her great surprise, she found a lovely kitchen shower from her class members awaiting her.

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INTERESTING SOCIAL NOTES FROM CITY OF GREENSBORO

Greensboro, N. C., March 18.—The chief social event of the week was the marriage on Wednesday evening of Mrs. Laura Weill Sterne to Mr. Julius W. Cone, which took place at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Caesar Cone on Summit Avenue. The ceremony was in the sun parlor of the home, and was performed by Dr. Morris Laxron of Baltimore. The parlor was tastefully decorated with a blending of green and white by the use of palms and lillies. The entire lower floor of the home was decorated in flowers and greens, sweet peas, roses, and palms. After the ceremony the couple left for New York, and from there will go to the Pacific Coast to spend some time in Southern California. Upon their return, they will reside here. Mr. Cone is Vice-President of the Revolution and Proximity Cotton Mills, and is one of the city's most prominent men. The bride, before her marriage to Mr. David Sterne, was Miss Laura Weill, of Wilmington. She is a graduate of the State Normal College, and is a woman of very attractive personality.

The members of the D. Y. K. Club entertained Wednesday evening in honor of their husbands. Progressive rook was played at three tables. Mrs. R. O. Lee made the highest score for the ladies, and L. Holland for the gentlemen. The consolation went to A. C. Bonkemeyer.

The Handicraft Club met this week with Mrs. D. E. Harlee on North Park Drive. The next meeting will be with Mrs. P. T. Turner.

The members of the District Nurse and Relief Committee met Wednesday morning with Mrs. E. C. Watlington, on Edgeworth Street. After an interesting session, it was voted to meet next with Mrs. W. C. Hammel on Spring Garden Street.

Mrs. A. L. Brooks was hostess at her lovely home in Irving Park this week to the Wednesday Afternoon Book Club.

The Guilford Chapter of the D. A. R. met Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. W. P. Beall on Asheboro street. Plans were made for the unveiling of the portrait of General Greene at the Carnegie Library on Wednesday evening. The literary program was in charge of Mrs. S. Clay Williams, who read a paper on "St. John's Lutheran Church of Cabarrus."

A reception was given at the Elks' Club Tuesday afternoon to the members of the old Civic League, of this city. There were talks by Dr. W. P. Beall, Victor McAdoo, Mrs. A. B. Kimball, Mrs. Al Fairbrother, and W. O. Hammel.

The Tuesday Social Club was entertained this week by Mrs. W. H. Stone, Jr., at her home on Church street.

Mrs. Frank L. Page was at home Friday evening complimentary to her guest, Miss Jessie Steele, of Rockingham. Miss Steele is a niece of Captain Page, and has visited Greensboro a number of times.

Women of Greensboro are planning a splendid program for Baby Week, and on Saturday afternoon, April 8th, there will be a Baby Parade on Elm street under the direction of the Girls' Benevolent club. There will be other interesting features, including several practical addresses for mothers.

Mrs. D. F. Causey entertained at cards Thursday afternoon at her home on Church street.

The T. L. W. Bridge Club met Friday with Miss Kirk Callum on Smith street.

Miss May Norris Richardson entertained the Thursday Bridge Club at her home on Smith street Thursday afternoon with a full attendance of members.

Little Charlotte Van Noppen celebrated her eighth birthday Monday afternoon by entertaining a number of her little friends from four to six o'clock.

Mrs. R. G. Sloan entertained the Thursday Afternoon Bridge Club this week at her home on West Washington street.

Mr. E. C. Deal entertained a large number of friends of Mr. Julius W. Cone, who married Mrs. Laura Sterne this week, at an old-fashioned party last Friday evening. About two hundred people were present, and the affair was greatly enjoyed from beginning to end.

Mrs. W. H. Fisher entertained the Priscilla Club at her home on Morehead avenue Friday afternoon.

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Clarkton, N. C., March 18.—Mr. Vann King and Miss Amanda Dove, were happily married at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. N. M. Dove, at Clarkton, on last Sunday afternoon, at 5 o'clock. The occasion was witnessed by many friends of both the bride and groom. Tht home was tastefully decorated with ferns and potted plants. Immediately after the ceremony the attendance were invited to the dining room, where a bountiful supper was served.

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FLORA M'DONALD STUDENTS DEBATE ON LARGER NAVY

Red Springs, N. C., March 18.—"Resolved,—That the United States should adopt the policy of greatly enlarging its navy," was the question debated at Flora McDonald College Monday night by the Zetesian Literary Society.

Misses Helen Stransky and Geneva Morrison argued the affirmative and Misses Florence Murray and Louise William strongly upheld the negative side of the query. The papers of all the young ladies were excellent, showing thought and careful research and causing a division in the decision of the judges, Messrs. Hinton James and Maxcy L. John, of Laurinburg, and A. P. Spell, of Red Springs, who voted two to one in favor of the affirmative.

After the debate, the society entertained at a reception in the college parlors in honor of the debaters, the judges, the ushers, and a few invited guests, among whom were Dr. J. L. McMillan, Rev. H. M. Dixon, Misses Mary Johnston, Esther Pancoast, Mamie Steel, Frances Wideman, Mabel Wright, and Eloise McGill.

House Being Removed.

The residence, No. 1512 Market street, recently purchased by Mr O. T. Wallace, from Mr. W. M. Hurst, is being moved from its old location, up Market street and out the Market street road to Eighteenth street from Wrence it will be taken through Carolina Place and installed on a lot for Mr. Wallace on the Wrightsville turnpike. Mr. Wallace will erect a home for his own occupancy on the lot from which the house is being removed.

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THE PROGRAMME FOR CHAUTAUQUA THIS YEAR

Many Notable Features Are Booked as Attractions.

Redpath Bureau Assures Local Committee That Entertainment Festival of Third Season is the Best of Them All.

Rev. Thomas Cornelison, agent for the Redpath Chautauqua, which will be given in Wilmington for the third season under the auspices of the Young Men's Christian Association beginning May 18, was in the city yesterday on business connected with the preliminary arrangements.

Mme. Julia Classen, a Swedish contralto, from the Chicago Opera House, assisted by Pierre Henratte, concert master, and Marcel Chevlier, director, will give a recital on the closing night of the Chautauqua. Ernest Harold Baynes will present a Bird Masque in three sections—motion pictures, masque and pageant which will be one of the notable features. The Hussars' Male chorus, accompanied by a full orchestra, will be another distinct feature. The Parish Players, a company of eight, will give a comedy and two serious plays. Another feature will be the Schumann Quintette, which has been heard in Wilmington on the lyceum platform.

The lecturers will include such notable men as Dr. Charles Stelzle, of the Labor Temple in New York, who is recognized as one of the leading men in the social movements of the day, and N. G. Poon Chew, a noted Chinese orator, wit and statesman. William Rainey Bennett, a well known lecturer, will appear on the opening night of the Chautauqua and will deliver his famous lecture, "The Man Who Can." President Albert of the Rotary Clubs of America, is also on the programme for a lecture.

Other features of the programmes will be the Weatherwax Bros, a male quartette; Gay Zenola, McLaven, impersonator; Killarneys and Rita Rich, and Hagerman, lecturer. The morning lecturer and the playgrounds director have not been announced.

Members of the local committee have been assured that the Chautauqua of 1916 will be the best of them all. The management of the Redpath Chautauqua has announced that its programme will be even better than it was last year, and that several of the features will be truly notable.

COLORED MINISTERS PROTEST AGAINST "BIRTH OF NATION"

Declare That They Believe Picture Contains Seeds of Bitterness.

Declaring it as their belief that "The Birth of a Nation" which is to be shown in Wilmington at an early date, contains the seeds of bitterness andfd it is certainly capable of arousing race antipathy, the colored ministers of this city vigorously protest against its being shown here. Yesterday the following statement, signed by 13 colored ministers, was prepared for publication:

"The colored ministers of the city by public information are apprised of the fact that on March 29th, there will be presented at Academy of Music in Wilmington, 'The Birth of a Nation' an emination from the heart, mind and pen of the author of 'The Leopard's Spots,' and of 'The Clansman.' Men of calm thought and mature judgment have looked for moral good and righteous influence in this play and have failed to find that which leads men to lofty thoughts and noble feelings.

"It does not appear that this play has produced, or is intended or is capable of producing peace and good will and harmonious fellowship which we pray shall be an inseparable bond uniting the races in our beloved Southland, Men are creatures of passion, and there are passions that need not be stirred by word, deed or any means of suggestion.

"In other parts the law has been invoked to prevent the presentation of 'The Birth of a Nation.'

"Divine providence has cast our lot here in the Southland, and here we must live and under God, work out our distiny. We need, we want, we must have the kind regard and sympathetic co-operation of our white fellow citizens and we are unwilling to countenance anything that in the remotest way tends to interfere with the amicable relations which obtain in this community.

"Therefore, because we believe that 'The Birth of a Nation' contains seeds of bitterness and is certainly capable of arousing race antipathy, we hereby register our protest against its appearance in our city.

"Whatever tends to broaden the spirit of humanity, beautify and perfect character, and makes way for the sincere recognition of the Fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man, we welcome as a harbinger of good, but we raise our protest, feeble though it be, against everything that has a tendency to provoke unkind thoughts, hostile feelings, and that points to the humiliation of our people.

"Revs. A. J. Wilson, J. C. Scarborough, J. A. Bonner, W. H. Moore, J. H. Rhoe, J. Francis Lee, J. H. Reid, E. D. Robinson, J. A. Smith, D. L. Grady, G. D. Carnes, C. D. Hazel, R. T. Timberlake."

THE SPEAKERS' CLUB.

Will Hold Social Meeting on Monday Evening—To Increase Activities.

The Speakers' Club of the Y. M. C. A. will hold a social meeting on Monday evening at their club room in the association building. This will be for the members of the organization and at this time plans will be made for larger and more extensive work in the future. The club will take a recess during the continuance of the approaching Alexander-Chapman meetings and the Chautauqua, but immediately thereafter it will again take up its work with renewed energy.

One of the last things that the club will undertake before beginning this recess will probably be to debate with the Wilmington High School upon the same query that the High Schools throughout the State are now debating, "Resolved, That the United States should adopt the policy of greatly enlarging its navy." Definite plans for this debate will probably be made within the next few days and it is expected that the debate will be held on Monday, March 27th, at the Y. M. C. A.

The Mission Study Class of the Fifth Avenue Methodist church will meet Tuesday afternoon at the residence of Mrs. William Schaeffer at Carolina Heights

LARGEST TOURNEY EVER HELD ON THE GOLF LINKS

Mr. Fisher and Capt. Metts Tie for First Place.

Mr. R. W. Strange Wins Third Place in Handicap Match at Cape Fear Country Club—Forty-Four Entries in Event.

The men's handicap tournament held on the golf links of the Cape Fear Country Club yesterday afternoon resulted in the first prize being a tie between Mr. W. A. Fisher and Capt. E. A. Metts with a net score of 77. The prize is a copper cup awarded by the club and the tie will be played off later.

The second prize will be won by one of those playing off. The third prize was won by Mr. R. W. Strange in a score of 78. The following scores were made by the entrants:

	Gross	Hdk	Net
Judge Rountree	105	14	91
D. W. Gross	101	19	82
G. W. Robertson	88	8	80
C. E. Taylor	89	5	84
J. Holmes Davis	100	17	83
B. H. Bridgers	92	13	79
Dr. R. H. Bellamy	100	11	89
W. D. MacMillan	100	14	86
F. W. Dick	90	8	82
John L. Williams	117	30	87
W. A. Fisher	100	23	77
E. C. Holt	104	19	85
J. S. White	133	30	103
J. J. Blair	108	29	79
J. C. McEachin	104	19	85
R. A. Williams	109	30	79
R. W. Strange	102	24	78
E. A. Metts	96	19	77
R. H. Grant	110	27	83
H. C. Riley	119	30	89
W. A. Dick	115	30	85
W. L. Waring	106	14	92
Milton Calder	107	17	90
C. S. Grainger	100	17	83
Hugh Calder	116	30	86
A. B. Skelding	107	18	89
C. M. James	102	14	88
M. E. Nelson	104	17	87
Clayton Giles, Jr.	131	30	101
George Thomas, Jr.	124	29	95

This tournament was the largest ever held at the Cape Fear Country Club and it was most gratifying to the Greens Committee to have had such a large attendance. It is very pleasing indeed to see so much enthusiasm and it is hoped that the spring weather will create more enthusiasm than ever before on the links. There were a number who did not report their scores.

WILMINGTON TO BE REPRESENTED

By Many Delegates at Meeting of Baptist Missionary Workers.

Wilmington will be represented by a large delegation at the annual meeting of the Baptist Women's Missionary Union of North Carolina to be held at Winston-Salem, Tuesday, March 21.

At this meeting plans for the coming year will be mapped out for the activities of the various societies of the Union, which includes in its membership a vast army of workers, women, girls and boys throughout the State. Last year through the efforts of the workers in this Union an aggregate of $48,832.53 was raised for the spread of the Gospel in North Carolina and the foreign field.

OUTDOOR MEETINGS TODAY

Adjutant and Mrs. James Yates, of Salvation Army, to Conduct Services.

Adjutant and Mrs. James Yates, of the Salvation Army, will conduct several services today. Sunday school will be held at 11 o'clock to which all are invited, especially those not attending other Sunday schools. At 7:30 p. m. open air services will be held at Front and Princess streets.

At 8 p. m. an old-time revival service will be held in the Salvation Army hall, corner Front and Dock streets. At this corner there will be some soul stirring songs and solos together with a number of interesting and helpful Gospel addresses. The public is invited to all services.

—The following arrivals were registered at the Orton Hotel yesterday: P. R. Smith, Elizabethtown; F. Kendall, Ansonville; G. H. Cupine, Clarkton; J. J. Darr, Charlotte; R. S. Bond, Rowland; A. J. McKinnon, Maxton; D. W. Davis, Goldsboro; T. A. Jones, Zora; F. A. Walker, Charlotte; A. J. Robbins, Southport, and A. F. Benjamin, Southport.

New York, March 18.—George H. Goulding, of Toronto, lapped the field and established a new world's record, of 12 minutes, 37 seconds in the two mile walk at the senior indoor championship meet of the Amateur Athletic Union here tonight.

DO THIS FIRST—YOU!

You know, and every physician knows, that when any sickness has passed, whether it be throat trouble, organic disturbances, contagious diseases, or even a severe cold, a relapse is feared, because sickness robs the system of Nature's resistance and leaves it subject to lingering germs.

Drugs never build up a worn-out body—only food can do that, and the first thing to take after any sickness is the concentrated, blood-making oil-food in Scott's Emulsion, which feeds the tissues, benefits the blood and strengthens both lungs and throat.

Physicians prescribe Scott's Emulsion after sickness. Nurses everywhere advocate it. Scott's is pure medicinal food, without alcohol or drugs.

Scott & Bowne, Bloomfield, N. J. 15-42

CONCORD CHAPTER, NO. 1, R. A. M.

Will meet in regular convocation Monday evening, March 20th, at 8 o'clock. Business of importance to every Companion.

Election of Officers. Refreshments. Companions are urged to be present.

By order of the High Priest.

JAS. H. TAYLOR, JR.,
Secretary.

ATTENTION, W. O. W.

Woodmen of the World: A Special meeting of Live Oak Camp, No. 6, will be held Monday evening, March 20th, I. O. O. F. Building. Important business.

GEO. C. JACKSON, Clerk.
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"The Store That's Always Busy"

A Quartet of Ultra Smart Models and Uncommonly Good Values in Women's Tailored Suits and Dresses

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Selected Especially to Give You a Glimpse of the Really Marvelous Values and Striking Variety Our Women's Suit Shop Has to Offer.

You'll look upon these models as a rare and pleasant surprise in the way of value giving. Make your selection at once—make it tomorrow morning, if possible, the earlier the better—and whichever you choose you'll have the comfortable assurance of knowing you have the handsomest and most splendidly finished suit that could be bought in Wilmington for the money.

The color range includes, in all the models enumerated, navy, black, Joffre blue, rookie and sage green.

Silk Poplin Suit at $25

Very rich and lustrous suit. The one illustrated is in black with white bengaline silk collar and dainty white lining. A dressy model that the conservative woman will like, and still chic enough to suit the wearer of ultra-smart tastes. The self-covered buckles and tassels give a rare touch of elegance.

Handsome Gabardine Suit at $35.00

A real novelty suit, quite swagger and jaunty. Has a trim pleated back and unique pointed poplum. A contrasting collar of novelty silk makes an attractive and becoming finish.

The loveliest Spring Hats in Town are Among our

Beautiful Trimmed Millinery at

$5.00, $7.50 and $10.00

It is only in the C. W.Polvogt Trimmed Hats that all the requirements of perfect millinery are found combined, viz.: Exquisite Materials, Ultra-Smart Style, Variety, Individuality, Good Taste, and, to crown all, Moderate Price.

There are new High Turbans with masses of ribbons or flowers in the modish, upstanding effect. There are moderate rolling brim Sailors, perky little Toques, and piquant Mushroom shapes, Hats with bell-shape crowns, and modified Pokes.

There are Original Creations and Clever Copies of Chic Parisian Designs.

To sum up briefly, there's a Hat for Every Woman—Several Hats, if she is sufficiently valuewise to choose while the assortment is ample and the price reasonable. Second Floor.

Also These Special Values in NEW SPRING SILKS

$1.50 Colored Taffeta $1.25
In Stripes, Plain; Complete Range of Shades

$1.75 Colored Chiffon Taffeta, yard $1.50
35 inches wide; very finely woven quality; brilliant lustre; good weight; a complete range of both light and dark colors.

$1.25 black and Colored Messalines, yd $1.00
35 inches wide; a complete line of colors, in light and dark shades.

40-inch Silk Crepe de Chine, all new Spring Shades ..... $1.25 to $1.75

40-inch Georgette Crepes; yard $1.50 and $1.75
Complete line of shades.

Silk and Cotton Crepe de Chines, 50c kind, special 39c
Any shade you desire.

$2.00 Pussy Willow Taffeta in all the leading shades; Special for Monday, per yard $1.69

$1.25, 36-inch Black Taffeta, $1.00 a yard for Monday.

Great March Sale of Spring Draperies

TAKE ELEVATOR TO SECOND FLOOR

Statement

SPRINGFIELD FIRE & MARINE INS. CO.

Springfield, Mass.

Condition December 31, 1915, as shown by Statement Filed.

Amount of Capital paid up in cash		$ 2,500,000.00
Amount of Ledger Assets December 31st of previous year, Total		11,283,883.73
Income—From Policyholders, $6,113,916.67; Miscellaneous, $501,179.72; total		6,615,096.39
Disbursements—To Policyholders, $3,300,770.98; Miscellaneous, $3,274,000.94; Total		6,574,771.92
ASSETS		
Value of real estate	$	300,000.00
Mortgage Loans on Real Estate		2,112,770.00
Value of Bonds and Stocks		6,430,932.00
Cash in Company's Office		821.92
Deposited in Trust Companies and Banks not on interest		414,149.93
Deposited in Trust Companies and Banks on interest		1,064,599.60
Agents' balances, representing business written subsequent to October 1, 1915		1,345,541.40
Agents' balances, representing business written prior to October 1, 1915		14,664.33
Interest and Rents due and accrued		68,734.69
All other Assets, as detailed in statement		16,557.32
Total		$11,768,761.19
Less Assets not admitted		73,387.59
Total admitted Assets		$11,695,373.60
LIABILITIES		
Net amount of unpaid losses and claims	$	577,261.47
Unearned Premiums		5,673,329.62
Salaries, rents, expenses, bills, accounts, fees, etc., due or accrued		15,000.00
Estimated amount payable for Federal, State, county and municipal taxes due or accrued		50,000.00
Contingent commissions, or other charges due or accrued		10,000.00
Reinsurance and return premiums due other companies		5,607.66
All other Liabilities, as detailed in statement		283,508.22
Total amount of all Liabilities except Capital	$	6,614,706.97
Capital Actually paid up in Cash	$2,500,000.00	
Surplus over all Liabilities	$2,580,666.63	
Surplus as regards Policyholders		5,080,666.63
Total Liabilities		$11,695,373.60

Business in North Carolina During 1915

Fire Risks written, $2,819,680; Premiums received $ 40,367.77
Losses incurred—Fire, $20,990.62; Paid 20,585.68
President, A. W. Damon.
Secretary, W. F. Mackay.
Treasurer, F. H. Williams.
Home Office, Springfield, Mass.
Attorney for service, Walker Taylor, Wilmington, N. C.
Manager for North Carolina, Home Office.

State of North Carolina,
Insurance Department,
Raleigh, Feb. 7, 1916

I, James R. Young, Insurance Commissioner, do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct abstract of the statement of the Springfield Fire & Marine Insurance Company, of Springfield, Mass., filed with this Department, showing the condition of said Company on the 31st day of December, 1915.

Witness my hand and official seal the day and date above written.

J. R. YOUNG,
Insurance Commissioner.

CARD OF THANKS.

We take this method of expressing our sincere appreciation and thanks to each and every one of our friends and neighbors who were so very kind to us in our recent bereavement, caused by the death of our brother, W. E. Balcum. Our profound sorrow was deeply felt and the kind sympathy extended us was a warm welcome to our saddened hearts.

BROTHER.

Burgaw, N. C., March 19.

Statement

AACHEN & MUNICH FIRE INS. CO.

Aix-La-Chapelle, Germany.

Condition December 31, 1915, as shown by Statement Filed.

Amount of Ledger Assets December 31st of previous year; Total	$	2,796,676.44
Income—From Policyholders, $1,096,362.74; Miscellaneous, $105,430.10; total		1,201,792.84
Disbursements—To Policyholders, $613,512.06; Miscellaneous, $530,730.48; Total		1,144,242.54
ASSETS		
Value of Bonds and Stocks	$	2,516,173.41
Cash in Company's Office		42.79
Deposited in Trust Companies and Banks not on interest		1,706.55
Deposited in Trust Companies and Banks on interest		143,490.85
Agents' balances, representing business written subsequent to October 1, 1915		181,687.06
Agents' balances, representing business written prior to October 1, 1915		4,146.88
Bills receivable, taken for fire risks		684.03
Interest and Rents due and accrued		30,511.40
All other Assets, as detailed in statement		6,295.17
Total	$	2,884,738.14
Less Assets not admitted		164,378.63
Total admitted Assets	$	2,720,359.51
LIABILITIES		
Net amount of unpaid losses and claims	$	110,972.81
Unearned Premiums		1,231,897.54
Salaries, rents, expenses, bills, accounts, fees, etc., due or accrued		2,233.16
Estimated amount payable for Federal, State, county and municipal taxes due or accrued		21,250.00
Contingent commissions, or other charges due or accrued		3,206.83
Total amount of all Liabilities except Capital	$	1,369,560.34
Surplus as regards Policyholders		1,350,799.17
Total Liabilities	$	2,720,359.51

Business in North Carolina During 1915

Fire Risks written, $1,679,626; Premiums received $ 5,671.37
Losses incurred—Fire, $9,576.50; Paid 9,373.82
U. S. Manager, Jos. A. Kelsey.
Home Office in U. S., New York.
Attorney for service, Walker Taylor, Wilmington, N. C.
Manager for North Carolina—Dan B. Harris, Atlanta, Ga.

State of North Carolina,
Insurance Department,
Raleigh, Feb. 28, 1916.

I, James R. Young, Insurance Commissioner, do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct abstract of the statement of the Aachen & Munich Fire Insurance Company, of Aix-La-Chappelle, Germany, filed with this Department, shownig the condition of said Company on the 31st day of December, 1915.

Witness my hand and official seal the day and date above written.

J. R. YOUNG,
Insurance Commissioner.

BASEBALL PICKUPS

(Continued From Page Three.)

house in Augusta, Ga., at a cost of $75,000. If the real estate venture is successful, as hoped, it will be enlarged, and Cobb's company will spend $250,000 in similar buildings in Augusta.

The Brooklyn club has consented to cancel the exhibition games with the Athletics, scheduled at Ebbets Field for April 10 and 11, at the request of Manager Mack, who has so many young players that he has deemed it advisably to give them the final inspection on his home grounds on these days.

President Dreyfuss, of the Pirates, says it is true that Ed Ruelbach may be a Pirate. He is willing to take him on if he comes untrammeled and give him a chance, but he denies that he has "purchased" him from the Feds. Dreyfuss is one peace agent who is not paying a premium for outlaw contracts.

Another former major league star who made the mistake of casting his lot with the Feds went down the line last week, when the Chicago Subs released Pitcher Ad Brennan to the St. Paul club, of the American Association. Brennan was one of the first players of any note to enlist with the outlaw movement.

Whatever the price paid for Frank Baker, the Yankees still hold the record for paying out good money for ball players and entering into amazing contracts. If Rupert and Huston should decide to sell their club within the next year or two they may find a tremendous amount of liabilities on their hands to reduce the price they can get.

The young pitchers of the Brooklyn Robins are getting their soup bones loosened faster than the batters are getting their eyes on the ball dawn at Daytona, Fla. Hanager Robinson is working on the theory that Marquard and Larry Cheney will be good in the spring if they are going to be good at all, and is conditioning them with that in view, but neither has done much. As they are veterans of long standing, it will be two wetks before they prove the quality of their goods. Chief Meyers is in the best of form in respect to his health, but he is moving slowly in developing his wing.

Jack Dunn, of the Baltimore Internationals, is counting upon picking up his star talent after he gets his Orioles into the training camp at Raleigh. Dunn says he will take a few trips to major leageu camps to get some of the surplus material. The Orioles magnate will go to New York Monday to attend the schedule meeting of the International League. He will return the following day and lead his candidates to Raleigh, where they will remain until Saturday, April 1. Upon their return to Baltimore the Birds will fly to Back River to engaged a local team in combat the following afternoon.

Doctor Says Nuxated Iron Will Increase Strength of Delicate People 200% in Ten Days

In many instances—Persons have suffered untold agony for years doctoring for nervous weakness, stomach, liver or kidney disease or some other ailment when their real trouble was lack of iron in the blood.—How to tell.

New York, N. Y. — In a recent discourse Dr. E. Sauer, Specialist, of this city, said: If you were to make an actual blood test on all people who are ill you would probably be greatly astonished at the exceedingly large number who lack iron and who are ill for no other reason than the lack of iron. The moment iron is supplied all their multitude of dangerous symptoms disappear. Without iron the blood at once loses the power to change food into living tissue and therefore nothing you eat does you any good; you don't get the strength out of it. Your food merely passes through your system like corn through a mill with the rollers so wide apart that the mill can't grind. As a result of this continuous blood and nerve starvation, people become generally weakened, nervous and all run down and frequently develop all sorts of conditions. One is too thin; another is burdened with unhealthy fat; some are so weak they can hardly walk; some think they have dyspepsia, kidney or liver trouble; some can't sleep at night, others are sleepy and tired all day; some fussy and irritable; some skinny and bloodless, but all lack physical power and endurance. In such cases, it is worse than foolishness to take stimulating medicines or narcotic drugs, which only whip up your fagging vital powers for the moment, maybe at the expense of your life later on. No matter what any one tells you, if you are not strong and well you owe it to yourself to make the following test. See how long you can work or how far you can walk without becoming tired. Next take two five-grain tablets of ordinary nuxated iron three times per day after meals for two weeks. Then test your strength again and see for yourself how much you have gained. I have seen dozens of nervous run down people who were ailing all the time double and even triple their strength and endurance and entirely get rid of their symptoms of dyspepsia, liver and other troubles in from ten to fourteen days' time simply by taking iron in the proper form, and this, after they had in some cases been doctoring for months without obtaining any benefit. You can talk as you please about all the wonders wrought by new remedies, but when you come down to hard facts there is nothing like good old iron to put color in your cheeks and good sound, healthy flesh on your bones. It is also a great nerve and stomach strengthener and the best blood builder in the world. The only trouble was that the old forms of inorganic iron like tincture of iron, iron acetate, etc., often ruined people's teeth, upset their stomachs and were not assimilated and for these reasons they frequently did more harm than good. But with the discovery of the newer forms of organic iron all this has been overcome. Nuxated Iron for example, is pleasant to take, does not injure the teeth and is almost immediately beneficial.

NOTE—The manufacturers of Nuxated Iron have such unbounded confidence in its potency that they authorise the announcement that they will forfeit $100.00 to any Charitable Institution if they cannot take any man or woman under sixty who lacks iron and increase their strength 200 per cent or over in four weeks' time, provided they have no serious organic trouble. Also they will refund your money in any case in which Nuxated Iron does not at least double your strength in ten days' time. It is dispensed in this city by J. Hicks Bunting Drug Co., and all other druggists.

Diamonds! Diamonds!

$15.00 to $500.00

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104 North Front Street Wilmington, N. C.

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL

COTTON RISES AT CLOSE

Press Advices Tending to Strengthen the Hope for Peace This Year Causes Flurry of Buying.

New York, March 18.—Press advices tending to strengthen the hope of peace by the end of this year seemed responsible for a moderate buying cotton flurry during today's late trading, with July selling up to 12.18 and closing at 12.13. The general list closed steady at a net advance of 2 to 6 points.

The market was irregular early and business was chiefly evening up over the week-end and the ginning report expected Monday.

Cables were steady and the opening here was 1 to 3 points higher. Prices eased off under scattered realizing with May declining to 11.89 and October to 12.18. Prices then steadied on bullish Southern spot news, with the demand later becoming more active on reports that the French minister of finance had expressed an opinion that the end of the war was in sight. These reports coming right after London press advices that Lloyds were asking rates for insurance against peace by the end of the year, made considerable impression on sentiment.

Clearances from the Pacific ports to Japan and China drew attention to the fact that exports to Japan are catching up with last year, being now only 47,000 bales behind last year's figures to the same date.

The market closed steady:

	Open	High	Low	Close
May	11.94	11.98	11.89	11.94
July	12.11	12.18	12.06	12.13
October	12.22	12.28	12.17	12.25
December	12.36	12.43	12.32	12.41
January	12.41	12.48	12.41	12.46

Spot cotton steady; middling uplands 11.95; sales 100 bales.

PORT MOVEMENT.

New Orleans—Middling 12.00; receipts 1,681; exports 11,150; sales 995; stock 363,989.

Galveston—Middling 12.35; receipts 6,594; sales 350; stock 293,530.

Mobile—Middling 11.69; receipts 247; stock 21,549.

Savannah—Middling 12.00; receipts 719; sales 750; stock 163,406.

Charleston—Middling 11.75; receipts 198; stock 69,410.

Wilmington—Receipts 217; stock 53,162.

Norfolk—Middling 11.81; receipts 1,784; sales 512; stock 106,686.

Baltimore—Stock 3,974.

Boston—Middling 11.95; receipts 740; stock 12,900.

Philadelphia—Middling 12.20; receipts 48; stock 2,635.

New York—Middling 11.95; receipts 25; exports 819; sales 100; stock 303,656.

Minor Ports—Receipts 4,797; exports 4,930; stock 36,992.

Total today—Receipts 17,050; exports 17,249; stock 1,431,339.

Total for week—Receipts 17,050; exports 17,249.

Total for season—Receipts 5,841,109; exports 3,777,584.

Interior Movement.

Houston—Middling 12.25; receipts 4,214; shipments 3,554; sales 2,763; stock 135,767.

Memphis—Middling 11.88; receipts 2,469; shipments 4,637; sales 1,900; stock 245,243.

Augusta—Middling 11.75; receipts 672; shipments 841; sales 1,084; stock 148,586.

St. Louis—Middling 12.00; receipts 1,167; shipments 1,634; stock 19,173.

Cincinnati—Receipts 506; shipments 1,151; stock 18,131.

Little Rock—Middling 12.00; receipts 700; shipments 179; sales 179; stock 37,018.

Dallas—Middling 11.80.

Montgomery—Middling 11.50.

Total today—Receipts 9,728; shipments 12,296; stock 603,918.

CHICAGO LIVE STOCK.

Chicago, March 18. — Hogs—Weak. Bulk, 9.55@9.70; light, 9.15@9.70; mixed, 9.25@9.70; heavy, 9.25@9.70; rough, 9.25@9.40; pigs, 7.65@8.65.

Cattle—Steady. Native beef cattle, 7.50@9.85; stockers and feeders, 6.00@8.25; cows and heifers, 3.80@8.70; calves, 8.25@10.75.

Sheep—Steady. Wethers, 8.20@8.90; ewes, 6.00@8.65; lambs, 9.50@11.50.

THE FINANCIAL MARKET.

New York, March 18. — Mercantile paper, 3@3¼; sterling sixty day bills, 4.72½; demand, 4.76¾; cables, 4.77; bar silver, 57; Mexican dollars, 43¾; government bonds, steady; railroad bonds, steady.

NEW YORK LIVE STOCK.

New York, March 18. — Beeves—No trading. Calves, steady; veals, 8.50@12.00.

Sheep and Lambs — Steady. Good lambs, 11.50.

Hogs—No trading.

WEEKLY BANK STATEMENT.

New York, March 18. — The statement of the actual condition of clearing house banks and trust companies for the week shows that they hold $133,394,680 reserve in excess of legal requirements. This is a decrease of $2,832,200 from last week.

NEW ORLEANS COTTON.

Peace Rumors Help to Firm Market and Cause Rise in Prices.

New Orleans, March 18.—Cotton had an easy undertone in the early trading today, but firmed up sharply on the rise of six points in spots and on dispatches stating that high French officials were claiming the end of the war was in sight. At the highest active months were at a net advance of 8 to 10 points. The close was 8 to 9 points up.

Around the opening the market felt selling pressure stimulated by reports of easiness in the price of Egyptian cotton in Liverpool and private forecasts of rain in Texas over Sunday.

After the posting of the official forecast of fair weather for Texas, the market met good support, which was increased when the spot market was called higher. Toward the close buying was heavy for a short period.

Weather conditions over the belt were unchanged, the drouth still being on in Texas. Private accounts said spots were being as firmly held as ever, notwithstanding recent price advances.

Futures closed steady. Closing bid: May 11.82; July 12.03; October 12.08; December 12.20; January 12.31.

Spot cotton steady, six points up; middling 12.00; sales on the spot 570 bales; to arrive 225 bales.

WHEAT FURTHER DECLINES

Possibilities of Peace Give Fresh Downward Swing—Quotations Nervous at the Close.

Chicago, March 18. — Possibilities of peace gave a fresh downward swing today to the wheat market. Quotations closed nervous, 1 to 1¾@1⅞c. net lower, with May at 1.06⅝@⅞ and July at 1.05⅝.

Corn finished ⅞@1 to 1¼c. down and oats off 2 to 2@¾.

Provisions wound up unchanged to 15 cents higher.

Grain and provisions closing:

Wheat—May, 1.06⅝; July, 1.05⅝.

Corn—May, 74¼; July, 75½.

Oats—May, 42@; July, 42½.

Pork—May, 22.80; July, 22.50.

Lard—May, 11.37; July, 11.52.

Ribs—May, 11.92; July, 12.17.

Cash grain:

Wheat—No. 2, red, 1.09; No. 3, red, 1.05@1.07; No. 2, hard, 1.07; No. 3, hard, 1.03@1.04.

Corn—No. 2, yellow, nominal; No. 4, yellow, 69¼@71; No. 4, white, 69@70.

MARINE.

Arrived

Str. Elizabeth Weems, Hudgins, Georgetown, Baltimore & Carolina Steamship Co.

Cleared

Str. Cherokee, Bunnell, New York, C. J. Becker, agent.

MARINE DIRECTORY.

List of Vessels in Port at Wilmington, North Carolina.

Steamers

Str. Nicaria (Ger.) 3,283 tons, Hollasch, Heide & Co.

Str. Kiel (Ger.) 2,872 tons, Lemke, Heide & Co.

WILMINGTON MARKETS.

(Quoted Daily by the Wilmington Chamber of Commerce.)

STAR OFFICE, March 18.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Nominal.

ROSIN—Nominal.

TAR—$2.00-9¼c.

CRUDE TURPENTINE—$4.00, $4.00, $3.00.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine, 41½; rosin, $2.80; tar, $1.50-7c. Crude, $2.75; $2.75; $1.50.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits Turpentine	(—)
Rosin	(—)
Tar	22
Crude Turpentine	(—)

Receipts — Same day last year: Spirits turpentine, (—) casks; rosin, (—) barrels; tar, 89 barrels; crude turpentine, 8 barrels.

COTTON MARKET.

Market—11⅝c. Quotations same day last year, 8¼c.

Receipts—217 bales; same day last year 2,893 bales.

Total receipts since August 1st, to date, 153,400 bales.

Total receipts to same date last year, 208,919 bales.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Cotton and Naval Stores at This Port Yesterday.

Wilmington, N. C., March 18, 1916.

Atlantic Coast Line—217 bales cotton.

Total—217 bales cotton; 22 barrels tar.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

(Quoted by W. J. Meredith, March 18.)

SWEET POTATOES—Yams, 55c. to 60c. per bushel.

IRISH POTATOES—$1.00.

CORN—$1.75 per sack.

BEEF—Native dressed, 7@9c; good demand.

PORK—Small, 8@10c. per pound.

WOOL—Burry, 17c to 20c.; first class, 27c.

HIDES—Green salt, 12@13c; dry flint, 17@20c per lb.; good demand.

NORTH CAROLINA BACON — Old hams, 18c.; sides and shoulders, 14c. to 15c. per pound, good demand.

BEESWAX—Firm, 28c per pound; good demand.

POULTRY—Chickens, grown, 45c to 50c; spring, 20c to 35c head. Geese 55c to 60c per head. Ducks, 35c to 50c owing to quality. Turkeys, 18c per lb., alive.; 20c to 22c dressed.

EGGS—18c. dozen.

WILMINGTON PEANUT MARKET.

(Quoted by J. S. Funchess & Co.)

Wilmington, March 18.—North Carolina Peanuts—Market, weaker. Fancy hand picked, 75c; No. 1 machine picked, 70c per bushel.

Virginia Peanuts—Market weaker. Jumbos, 60c.; fancy hand picked, 55c. No. 1, machine-picked, 50c. per bushel.

Spanish Peanuts—Market weaker. No. 1, small, machine picked, 95c.; Jumbos, 85c. per bushel.

Receipts—Light.

PETERSBURG PEANUT MARKET.

(Reported by Rodgers, Plummer & Co., Inc.)

Petersburg, Va., March 18—Spanish—Farmers' stock, market steady. First quality, $1.05 per bu.; green and dirty, 60c. to 75c. per bu.

Virginias—Farmers' stock, market steady. Fancy Jumbo, 4c. per lb.; fancy hand picked, 3¾c. per lb.; extra prime, 3½c. per lb.; prime, 3¼c. per lb.; shelling stock, 2½c. to 3c. per lb.

SAVANNAH NAVAL STORES.

Savannah, March 18. — Turpentine, quiet, 50½; sales, none; receipts, 1; shipments, 16; stock, 8,513.

Rosin—Quiet. Sales, none; receipts, 130; shipments, none; stock, 78,731. Quote: A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, 5.00; I, 5.15; K, M, 5.40; N, 5.45; W G, 5.65; W W, 5.75.

RESERVE BANK STATEMENT.

Washington, March 18. — Bills discounted and bought by Federal Reserve banks during the past week amounted to $3,000,000 more than in the previous week. A statement of the banks' condition March 17 was issued today.

DRY GOODS MARKET.

New York, March 18. — Cotton goods markets closed very strong, with print cloths sales for the week in excess of 500,000 pieces. Wool markets, firm. Linens, scarce and higher.

WAR SHARES WEAKENED

Prices Recede Under Heavy Market Caused by Peace Rumors—German Money Is Lower.

New York, March 18.—Peace rumors contributed to the heaviness of war shares in today's stock market, those issues receding from 2 to 3 points and affecting kindred stocks to a like degree. These rumors were heightened by a new low record for German exchange, which fell to 71 3-4.

Declines in specialties were neutralized by strength of the coal carrying roads, Norfolk and Western rising 2 5-8 to the new record of 124 5-8 on rumors of an increase in the dividend. Chesapeake and Ohio responded to reports of new financing favorable to share holders.

General Chemical advanced 20 points to 350 on one sale. Final prices showed some recovery from lowest levels, but the undertone was irregular. Commercial agencies reported extraordinary activity in all sections of the country, with further reflections of new business because the limit of production had been reached. Many lines of industry are entering upon the spring season under most favorable circumstances ever known in the history of the country, the reports say.

Appointment of a committee to handle freight congestion problem is expected to bring relief to a situation of growing seriousness.

Reflection of the week's stock market activity was furnished by the bank statement, showing an actual loan expansion of almost $23,000,000 with a corresponding cash gain, while reserves decreased $2,832,000.

Bonds ruled steady with nominal dealings. Total sales par value $1,625,000. United States bonds were unchanged on call during the week.

NEW YORK STOCK LIST.

Allis-Chalmers	31½
American Beet Sugar	73
American Can	64
American Car and Foundry	72½
American Cotton Oil	56
American Locomotive	79¾
American Smelting	101½
American Sugar	112¾
American Tel and Tel	129⅝
American Tobacco	193½
Anaconda Copper	87⅝
Atchison	104
Atlantic Coast Line	B.110
Baldwin Locomotive	112
Baltimore and Ohio	89⅝
Bethlehem Steel	B.527
Brooklyn Rapid Transit	85⅝
Canadian Pacific	167⅝
Central Leather	55⅝
Chesapeake and Ohio	64⅝
Chicago, Mil. and St. Paul	95½
Chicago, R. I. and Pac Ry	17⅝
Consolidated Gas	137
Continental Can	84½
Crucible Steel	96
Erie	37⅝
General Electric	169½
Great Northern, pfd	122½
Great Northern Ore Ctfs	46⅛
Illinois Central	103¼
Interborough Consol. Corp	17⅛
Kansas City Southern	B. 27
Lehigh Valley	78½
Louisville and Nashville	125
Liggett and Meyers	B.250
Lorillard Co	189
Missouri, Kans. and Tex., pfd	B. 10
Missouri Pac	B. 4⅝
Mexican Petroleum	113
National Lead	B. 68⅛
New York Central	106⅝
N. Y., N. H. and Hartford	66½
Norfolk and Western	128⅝
Northern Pac	114
Pennsylvania	57⅝
Reading	87⅝
Rep. Iron and Steel	53⅝
Seaboard Air Line	B. 15⅝
Seaboard Air Line, pfd	35¼
Sloss-Sheff. Steel and Iron	B. 59⅝
Studebaker Corp	146½
Southern Pacific	99
Southern Railway	21⅝
Southern Railway, pfd	B. 59⅝
Tennessee Copper	57½
Texas Co	203
Texas and Pacific	B. 7
Union Pacific	133½
United States Rubber	53⅛
United States Steel	86⅝
United States Steel, pfd	117¼
Utah Copper	82¼
Virginia-Caro. Chem	46
Va. Iron, Coal and Coke	55¾
Wabash, pfd., "B" Ctfs	27⅞
Western Union	90Z
Westinghouse Electric	68⅛
United Fruit	147
Kennecott Copper	56⅞

COTTON GOODS REVIEW.

Markets Have Become Very Strong. Prices Steadily Rising.

New York, March 18.—Cotton goods markets have become very strong and prices are steadily rising. The demand for army duck of all kinds for home and foreign use has been excessively large and mills are unable to meet it. Percales have been advanced half cent a yard. Many wash fabrics offered by printers for the current season have been advanced as much as 30 per cent, and only limited quantities of stock goods will be sold.

The plint cloth markets have become very active and sales are being made for contract delivery up to the end of the year, over half a million pieces being sold in this market three days. Cambric muslins, nainsook and long cloths have been advanced another 1-4c a yard. Brown sheetings are firm and more active. Many lines of ginghams are sold ahead into October of this year. The leading lines of blankets and napped cottons are under order for the balance of this year. One denim mill offered its output for delivery through October at the highest prices ever put upon it and sold it all in 48 hours. Mills are running to their fullest capacity, bleacheries are running nights where they can get labor and supplies and finishing companies are as active as limited color supplies will permit.

Quotations on cloths are as follows: Print cloths, 28 inch 64x64s, 4c; 64x60s, 3 3-4c; 38 1-2 inch 64x64s, 5 1-4c; brown sheetings, Southern standards, 8 1-2c asked; denims, 9 ounce, nominal; tickings, 8 ounce, 14 1-2c; prints 6 1-2c; staple ginghams, 7 1-2c; dress ginghams, 9 1-2c.

That President Weeghman, of the Clubs, seriously made an offer of Roger Bresnahan to the New York Yankees has been confirmed, and it is said that Manager Bill Donovan, of the Yanks, actually considered it. The proposition of Weeghman, it is said, is to split the salary that Roger's contract calls for.

THE WEATHER.

United States Department of Agriculture—Weather Bureau.

March 19, 1916.

Meteorological data for the 24 hours ending at 8 P. M., yesterday:

Temperature at 8 A. M., 34 degrees; at 8 P. M., 57 degrees; maximum, 58 degrees; minimum, 31 degrees; mean, 44 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .00 inch; rainfall for the month to date, 2.37 inches.

Stage of water in Cape Fear river at Fayetteville, at 8 A. M. yesterday, 5.7 feet.

THE WEATHER.

For North Carolina—Partly cloudy west, probably local rains east portion Sunday; Monday fair.

The Port Calendar, March 19, 1916.

Sun rises	6:17 A. M.
Sun sets	6:23 P. M.
Day's length	12 hrs. 6 min.

THE TIDES.

	High water. A.M.	P.M.	Low water. A.M.	P.M.
Wilmington	9:29	10:05	4:54	5:14
Southport	7:29	7:49	1:33	1:50
Masonboro Inl	7:18	7:38	1:13	1:30

WEATHER BUREAU REPORTS March 18, 1916.

STATIONS:	Temperature: Weather at 8 P. M.	Highest today.	Lowest last night.	Precipitation at 8 p.m.
Abilene	cldy	90	58	.0
Asheville	clear	68	28	.0
Atlanta	clear	72	44	.0
Augusta	clear	76	38	.0
Baltimore	cldy	28	—	.0
Birmingh	clear	74	48	.0
Boston	cldy	28	6	.0
Charleston	clear	68	44	.0
Charlotte	clear	60	34	.0
Chicago	clear	44	26	.0
Galveston	clear	72	64	.0
Jacksonv	clear	72	48	.0
Memphis	clear	72	56	.0
Mobile	clear	72	52	.0
Montgom'y	clear	74	46	.0
New Orl	clear	76	54	.0
New York	snow	24	6	.0
Oklahoma	pt cldy	86	54	.0
Palestine	clear	80	54	.0
Pittsburg	pt cldy	28	6	.0
Raleigh	pt cldy	48	28	.0
Savannah	clear	74	48	.0
Shrevepott	clear	80	54	.0
St. Louis	clear	58	34	.0
Washing'n	cldy	32	14	.0

Lee Fohl, of the Indians, doesn't say much, but when he does it is to the point. He declined to take an ex-Fed when offered him. His team, said Fohl, though making a bad showing, pulled together, and he doesn't mean to have any anarchists on it — Cleveland has had enough of that.

Statement

INSURANCE COMPANY OF NORTH AMERICA.

Philadelphia, Pa.

Condition December 31, 1915, as shown by Statement Filed.

Amount of Capital paid up in cash	$ 4,000,000.00
Amount of Ledger Assets December 31st of previous year; total	18,990,354.24
Income—From Policyholders, $11,513,462.72; Miscellaneous, $796,986.64; Total	12,310,449.36
Disbursements—To Policyholders, $5,826,646.30; Miscellaneous, $4,575,138.30; Total	10,401,784.60
ASSETS	
Value of real estate	$ 305,682.20
Mortgage Loans on Real Estate	177,724.25
Value of Bonds and Stocks	16,981,484.75
Cash in Company's Office	2,295.09
Deposited in Trust Companies and Banks not on interest	25,000.00
Deposited in Trust Companies and Banks on interest	1,402,397.97
Agents' balances, representing business written subsequent to October 1, 1915	1,682,011.43
Agents' balances, representing business written prior to October 1, 1915.	37,705.55
Bills receivable, taken for Marine and Inland risks	10,896.82
Bills receivable, taken for fire risks	181,843.20
Interest and Rents due and accrued	194,018.93
All other Assets, as detailed in statement	91,977.74
Total	$21,093,037.93
Less Assets not admitted.	645,378.42
Total admitted Assets	$20,447,659.51
LIABILITIES	
Net amount of unpaid losses and claims	$ 2,271,140.00
Unearned Premiums	7,461,532.61
Ledger Liabilities	709,513.97
Estimated amount payable for Federal, State, county and municipal taxes due or accrued	175,000.00
All other Liabilities, as detailed in statement	830,472.93
Total amount of all Liabilities except Capital	$11,447,659.51
Capital Actually paid up in Cash	$4,000,000.00
Surplus over all Liabilities	$5,000,000.00
Surplus as regards Policyholders	9,000,000.00
Total Liabilities	$20,447,659.51

Business in North Carolina During 1915

Fire Risks written, $4,099,581.00; Premiums received	$ 39,736.17
Marine Risks written, $6,542,064.00; Premiums received,	29,898.71
Losses incurred—Fire, $24,140.88; Paid	23,540.78
Losses incurred — Marine $1,852.39; Paid	1,852.39

President, Eugene L. Ellison.
Secretary, T. Howard Wright.
Treasurer, T. Howard Wright.
Home Office, Philadelphia, Pa.
Attorney for service, Walker Taylor, Wilmington, N. C.
Manager for North Carolina, Dan B. Harris, Atlanta, Ga.

State of North Carolina,
Insurance Department
Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 17, 1916.

I, James R. Young, Insurance Commissioner, do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct abstract of the statement of the Insurance Company of North America, of Philadelphia, Pa., filed with this Department, showing the condition of said Company on the 31st day of December, 1915.

Witness my hand and official seal the day and date above written.

J. R. YOUNG,
Insurance Commissioner.

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STOCKS & BONDS
GREENSBORO, N. C.

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$28.65 GOLDSBORO, N. C., to NEW ORleans, La., and return, account Southern Sociological Congress and Southern Conference for Education and Industry. Tickets on sale April 11, 12, 15, 16 and 17. Final limit, April 30.

$10.55 GOLDSBORO, N. C., to WASHINGton, D. C., and return, account 25th Continental Congress Daughters of the American Revolution. Tickets on sale April 12, 14 and 16. Final limit, May 12.

$9.80 GOLDSBORO, N. C., to ASHEville, N. C., and return, account Southern Baptist Convention. Tickets on sale May 13 to 17, inclusive. Final limit, May 31. Final limit may be extended to June 15, by depositing ticket and payment of $1.00 at Asheville.

$12.65 GOLDSBORO, N. C., to BIRMINGham, Ala., and return, account Annual Reunion United Confederate Veterans. Tickets on sale May 13 to 17, inclusive. Final limit, May 25. Final limit may be extended to June 14, by depositing ticket and payment of 50 cents at Birmingham.

$17.45 GODLSBORO, N. C., to LYTLE, Ga. (near Chattanooga), and return, account National Military Training Camp at Fort Oglethorpe. Tickets on sale during April, May, June, July and August. See ticket agent for limits and other information.

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WASHINGTON, D. C. $13.10
On sale April 12, 14 and 16th; limited returning Midnight, May 12th.

For further information call 'phone 178, City Ticket Office, Orton Hotel Building.

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DEPARTURES	TO AND FROM	ARRIVALS
No. 90. 8:40 A.M. Monday morning only.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk and Eastern North Carolina points. Connects at Goldsboro with Southern Railway and Norfolk Southern Railroad.	No. 91. 1:15 A.M. Sunday morning (Saturday night) only.
No. 51. 5:30 A.M. Daily.	Chadbourn, Conway, Florence, Charleston, Savannah, Jacksonville, Tampa, St. Petersburg, Ft. Myers, Columbia and Asheville. Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Columbia, open to receive outbound passengers at Wilmington at and after 10:00 P. M., and may be occupied, inbound, until 7:00 A. M.	No. 50. 11:59 P.M. Daily.
No. 64. 5:15 A.M. Mon., Wed. and Fri. only	Jacksonville, Newbern and Intermediate stations.	No. 65. 6:15 P.M. Mon., Wed. and Fri. only.
No. 48. 7:30 A.M. Daily.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk and Washington. Parlor car, Wilmington to Norfolk, connecting at Rocky Mount with New York trains with Pullman service.	Daily. No. 49. 6:05 P.M.
No. 53. 8:45 A.M. Daily.	Solid train between Wilmington and Mt. Airy, via Fayetteville and Sanford.	No. 52. 8:00 P.M. Daily.
No. 62. 3:25 P.M. Daily.	Jacksonville, Newbern and intermediate stations.	No. 63. 12:50 P.M. Daily.
No. 85. 3:45 P.M. Daily.	Chadbourn, Florence, Columbia, Augusta, Atlanta and the West. Charleston, Savannah and all Florida points. All Steel Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmintogn, August and Atlanta. Pullman cars between Florence and Columbia.	No. 54. 12:50 P. M. Daily.
No. 59. 6:30 P.M. Tues., Thurs. and Sat. only.	Fayetteville and Intermediate stations.	No. 60. 10:15 A.M. Tues., Thurs., Sat. only.
No. 42. 6:45 P.M. Daily.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk, Washington and New York. Pullman Broiler, Buffet Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Washington, connecting with New York trains; also Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Norfolk.	No. 41 9:50 A.M. Daily.

For folders, reservations, rates of fares, etc., call 'phone 160.

W. J. CRAIG, Passenger Traffic Manager.
T. C. WHITE, General Passenger Agent.
WILMINGTON, N. C.

SUBURBAN SCHEDULE

In Effect November 15, 1915.

WINTER PARK, WRIGHTSVILLE WRIGHTSVILLE BEACH AND INTERMEDIATE POINTS

EASTBOUND			WESTBOUND		
Leave Front and for Winter Park	Leave Front and for Wrightsville	Leave... Front and for Beach	Leave Winter Park for Wilmington	Leave Wrightsville for Wilmington	Leave Beach for Wilmington
.....	.....	.....	a6:36 A. M.	a6:15 A. M.	.....
a6:30 A. M.	a6:30 A. M.	a6:30 A. M.	a7:36 A. M.	a7:25 A. M.	.....
6:55 A. M.	6:55 A. M.	b6:55 A. M.	8:01 A. M.	7:50 A. M.	7:40 A. M.
a8:00 A. M.	a8:00 A. M.	.....	a8:41 A. M.	a8:30 A. M.	.....
8:30 A. M.	8:30 A. M.	8:30 A. M.	9:36 A. M.	9:25 A. M.	9:15 A. M.
.....	.....	.....	b10:31 A. M.	b10:20 A. M.	.....
10:00 A. M.	10:00 A. M.	10:00 A. M.	11:06 A. M.	10:55 A. M.	10:45 A. M.
11:30 A. M.	11:30 A. M.	11:30 A. M.	12:36 P. M.	12:25 P. M.	12:15 P. M.
b1:00 P. M.	b1:00 P. M.	b1:00 P. M.	02:06 P. M.	b1:56 P. M.	b1:46 P. M.
a1:10 P. M.	a1:10 P. M.	a61:10 P. M.	a2:01 P. M.	a1:50 P. M.	a11:45 P. M.
c1:55 P. M.	c1:55 P. M.	.....	a2:36 P. M.	a2:25 P. M.	.....
c d2:35 P.M.	.....	.....	c d3:06 P.M.	.....	.....
3:00 P. M.	3:00 P. M.	3:00 P. M.	c3:30 P. M.	.....	.....
3:30 P. M.	.....	.....	4:06 P. M.	3:55 P. M.	3:45 P. M.
c4:10 P. M.	.....	.....	c4:30 P. M.	.....	.....
4:20 P. M.	4:20 P. M.	4:20 P. M.	c5:10 P. M.	.....	.....
c4:50 P. M.	.....	.....	5:36 P. M.	5:25 P. M.	5:15 P. M.
5:20 P. M.	5:20 P. M.	.....	6:11 P. M.	6:00 P. M.	.....
6:10 P. M.	6:10 P. M.	.....	6:51 P. M.	6:40 P. M.	.....
6:40 P. M.	6:40 P. M.	e6:40 P. M.	7:21 P. M.	7:10 P. M.	7:15 P. M.
7:15 P. M.	7:15 P. M.	.....	8:06 P. M.	7:55 P. M.	.....
8:15 P. M.	8:15 P. M.	.....	8:56 P. M.	8:45 P. M.	.....
9:15 P. M.	9:15 P. M.	9:15 P. M.	10:21 P. M.	10:10 P. M.	10:00 P. M.
10:15 P. M.	10:15 P. M.	.....	10:56 P. M.	10:46 P. M.	.....
1:15 P. M.	11:15 P. M.	.....	11:56 P. M.	11:46 P. M.	.....

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No. 20—12:15 A. M.—Train from Charlotte and Intermediate Points. SLEEPING CAR BETWEEN CHARLOTTE AND WILMINGTON. PASSENGERS MAY REMAIN IN SLEEPER UNTIL 7:00 A. M.

For detailed information and reservations, call on City Ticket Agent, Orton Building. 'Phone 178.

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NEW YORK LAWYER IS KILLED BY WIFE

(Continued From Page One.)

can law under private tutors. He also was a student of medicine and science. Mr. English had been admitted to the bar of this state, the District of Columbia and several other states.

DUTCH STEAMER PALEMBANG IS VICTIM OF SUBMARINE

Passengers and Several of Crew Say Three Torpedoes Were Fired.

London, March 18.—The Dutch steamer Palembang was torpedoed today at the mouth of the Thames Estuary. No lives were lost though nine members of the crew were injured.

A dispatch to Lloyd's Weekly News from Harwick says that the 55 members of the crew and two Dutchmen, who were passengers, have been landed there. The passengers and several members of the crew declare the submarine fired three torpedoes.

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WILMINGTON, N. C., AT CLOSE OF BUSINESS, MARCH 7, 1916.

RESOURCES:		LIABILITIES:	
Loans and Discounts	$1,780,299.95	Capital Stock	$200,000.00
Real Estate	46,172.32	Surplus and Undivided Profits	22,958.87
Overdrafts	4,031 96	Reserve Account	20,000.00
Banking House, Furniture and Fixtures (American National Bank)	45,662.65	Special Bond Account	45,000.00
Bonds and Securities	142,066.00	Bills Payable	50,000.00
North Carolina 4 Per Cent Bonds	45,000.00	Rediscounts	87,430.00
Due from Banks and Bankers	$266,450.03	DEPOSITS: Banks $ 940,745.98	
Cash in Vault	85,918.64	452,368.67	Individuals 1,139,295.70	2,080,041.68
		Dividends Unpaid	171.00
Total	$2,515,601 55	Total	$2,515,601.55

OFFICERS:

THOS. E. COOPER, President. MILTON CALDER, Vice-President.
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R. L. HENLEY, Assistant Cashier.

STATEMENT CONDITION

THE MURCHISON NATIONAL BANK

OF WILMINGTON, N. C., AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS, MARCH 7TH, 1916.

RESOURCES:		LIABILITIES:	
Loans and Discounts	$5,106,180.65	Capital Stock	$1,000,000.00
U. S. Bonds (at par)	602,500.00	Surplus and Net Profits	672,102.93
Bank Building	480,000.00	Circulation	545,000.00
Bonds and Other Securities	285,150.00	Special Deposit Bonds	115,000.00
Liquidation Account Southern National Bank	46,949.16	Rediscounts	383,578.08
Cash and Due by Banks	1,778,969.74	Deposits	5,584,068.54
	$8,299,749.55		$8,299,749.55

DEPOSITS:
March 7th, 1912 $4,222,361.96 March 7th, 1914 $5,134,527.05
March 7th, 1916 $5,584,068.54

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Statement
ORIENT FIRE INS. CO.
Hartford, Conn.

Condition December 31, 1915, as shown by Statement Filed.

Amount of Capital paid up in cash		$ 1,000,000.00
Amount of Ledger Assets December 31st of previous year; Total		3,891,544.43
Income—From Policyholders, $1,666,490.42; Miscellaneous, $155,728.48; total		1,822,218.90
Disbursements—To Policyholders, $810,293.64; Miscellaneous, $810,232.34; Total		1,620,526.00
ASSETS		
Value of real estate	$	173,186.38
Value of Bonds and Stocks		3,000,503.81
Cash in Company's Office		3,611.15
Deposited in Trust Companies and Banks on interest		584,945.26
Agents' balances, representing business written subsequent to October 1, 1915		311,150.88
Agents' balances, representing business written prior to October 1, 1915		18,954.55
Interest and Rents due and accrued		46,292.95
All other Assets, as detailed in statement		42,314.33
Total	$	4,181,959.55
Less Assets not admitted		314,321.72
Total admitted Assets	$	3,867,667.83
LIABILITIES		
Net amount of unpaid losses and claims	$	127,790.43
Unearned Premiums		1,587,509.15
Salaries, rents, expenses, bills, accounts, fees, etc., due or accrued		1,945.23
Estimated amount payable for Federal, State, county and municipal taxes due or accrued		32,323.74
Contingent commissions, or other charges due or accrued		2,406.00
All other Liabilities, as detailed in statement		256.90
Total amount of all Liabilities except Capital	$	1,753,225.45
Capital Actually paid up in Cash $1,000,000.00		
Surplus over all Liabilities $1,114,442.18		
Surplus as regards Policyholders	$	2,114,442.18
Total Liabilities	$	3,867,667.83
Business in North Carolina During 1915		
Fire Risks written, $968,797; Premiums received	$	13,780.81
Tornado Risks written, $9,126.11; premiums received		11,167.20

President, A. G. McIlwaine, Jr.
Secretary, H. W. Gray, Sr.
Home Office, Hartford, Conn.
Attorney for service, J. VanB. Metts, Wilmington, N. C.
Manager for North Carolina, Home Office.

State of North Carolina,
Insurance Department,
Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 14, 1916.

I, James R. Young, Insurance Commissioner, do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct abstract of the statement of the Orient Fire Insurance Company, of Hartford, Conn., filed with this Department, showing the condition of said Company on the 31st day of December, 1915.

Witness my hand and official seal the day and date above written.

J. R. YOUNG,
Insurance Commissioner.

Statement
NORTH BRITISH & MERCANTILE INS. CO.
London, Eng.

Condition December 31, 1915, as shown by Statement Filed.

Amount of Capital Deposit	$	200,000.00
Amount of Ledger Assets December 31st of previous year, Total		9,643,628.03
Income—From Policyholders, $4,773,547.55; Miscellaneous, $571,529.18; total		5,345,376.73
Disbursements—To Policyholders, $2,364,922.86; Miscellaneous, $2,822,991.35; Total		5,187,914.21
ASSETS		
Value of Bonds and Stocks	$	8,475,847.11
Cash in Company's Office		500.00
Deposited in Trust Companies and Banks on interest		357,269.33
Agents' balances, representing business written subsequent to October 1, 1915		923,032.38
Agents' balances, representing business written prior to October 1, 1915		48,070.73
Interest and Rents due and accrued		96,925.95
All other Assets, as detailed in statement		2,381.00
Total	$	9,903,026.55
Less Assets not admitted		835,036.00
Total admitted Assets	$	9,067,990 55
LIABILITIES		
Net amount of unpaid losses and claims	$	382,376.93
Unearned Premiums		4,583,619.24
Ledger Liabilities		41,202.74
Salaries, rents, expenses, bills, accounts, fees, etc., due or accrued		15,000.00
Estimated amount payable for Federal, State, county and municipal taxes due or accrued		95,470.09
Contingent commissions, or other charges due or accrued		17,462.87
Total amount of all Liabilities except Capital	$	5,135,131.83
Surplus as regards Policyholders	$	3,932,858.72
Total Liabilities	$	9,067,990.55
Business in North Carolina During 1915		
Fire Risks written, $3,199,086; Premiums received	$	24,950.41
Losses incurred—Fire, $11,234.06; Paid		9,897.06

U. S. Manager, Eli Richards.
Home Office in U. S., New York City.
Attorney for service, Walker Taylor, Wilmington, N. C.
Manager for North Carolina, New York Office.

State of North Carolina,
Insurance Department,
Raleigh, Feb. 10, 1916.

I, James R. Young, Insurance Commissioner, do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct abstract of the statement of the N. B. & Mercantile Insurance Company, of London, Eng., filed with this Department, showing the condition of said Company on the 31st day of December, 1915.

Witness my hand and official seal the day and date above written.

J. R. YOUNG,
Insurance Commissioner.

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OFFER FANTASTIC REASONS TO EVADE SERVICE IN WAR

With One Accord, the Single Men in Great Britain Render Varied and Numerous Excuses for Keeping Out of the Army—Military Service Tribunals Criticised for Their Leniency.

London, March 18.—Military service tribunals, consisting of anywhere from seven to twenty members, are sitting throughout England hearing applications for exemption from men eligible at the front. Many complaints have begun to go up over the leniency shown by the tribunals to single men who have offered rather fantastic reasons for evading service in the army. Complete exemption has been granted in comparatively few cases, but postponements have been most frequent, and the tribunals now are being warned that every single man excused means the earlier calling out of the groups of married men attested under the Derby plan.

There is every indication that it will not be long after April 1 next when the first of the married men will be called to the colors. Thus far the married men in the army have gone only through voluntary enlistment. The compulsory service act does not apply to them as yet, but thousands have attested their readiness to serve when the supply of single men is exhausted.

Many single men, with mothers or sisters dependent upon them, are making the claim that their domestic duties are just as sacred and just as deserving of the nation's consideration as those of the married men. They make the further plea that their family obligations were imposed on them through no act of their own, whereas the married man assumed liability for others through voluntary choice.

"If I am to be called away from the support of my widowed mother and three dependent sisters," said one young clerk, "I will be followed by the thought that they must eventually go to the workhouse, and I am sure that under the circumstances I would not make a very good soldier for the King."

The tribunal thought otherwise.

Exemptions are sought upon the theory that the applicant is "indispensable" to the conduct of the business in which he is engaged. Often the pleas are made by the employer who himself is beyond military age.

"This clerk manages my entire business and is absolutely indispensable," said one employer to the tribunal at Lewisham.

"And what do you pay him?" asked the chairman.

"Seventeen shillings, six pence a week."

The tribunal held that "absolute indispensability" was worthy of higher consideration than four dollars a week and the clerk was swept into the army.

One employer appealed for the exemption of an "artistic sign painter."

"In such a time of stress as this I think the country can get along with inartistic signs," ruled the chairman.

At Liverpool an undertaker claimed he was truly indispensable. The tribunal told him to "R. I. P." for six months. After that he must join the army, where there is much work to be done by those skilled in the burial of the dead.

The Lord Mayor of London, an enthusiastic worker for recuits, applied to the London tribunal for the exemption of a footman employed at the Mansion House. The application said it was in the national interest that Mansion House arrangements for recruiting the public work generally should not be disturbed. Sir T. Vezey Strong, the chairman, thought a postponement of one month sufficent to allow the Lord Mayor to make other arrangements.

A widow of Penge obtained a three months' respite for her eligible son on the ground that he was indispensable to the conduct of her small laundry.

"He calls for and distributes the laundry," said she, "and does more ironing than any two women."

The tribunals face their greatest difficulty in dealing with the agricultural districts. Some farmers have gone to the extent of threatening to abandon their farms entirely if not allowed sufficient help. The tribunals now have adopted the policy of allowing three men to each 100 acres of farm land. In the meantime hundreds of thousands of women are being recruited for farm work.

One young man unsuccessfully quoted from a speech of the Prime Minister, Mr. Asquith, in the House of Commons, in seeking exemption on the ground that he was the sole support of a widowed mother. He quoted Mr. Asquith to the effect that the taking away of the sole support of a widow would be "monstrous." The application was refused when it was shown there were other relatives with whom the mother might live.

Another young man told the tribunal it was condemning his mother to death in sending him to the war.

"If I were alone in the world I should have gone long ago," he added. It appeared, however, the financial condition of the family was sufficient.

A theatrical manager was granted three months' grace when he explained that if there were no amusements "the people would have nowhere to go."

A cartoonist thought himself indispensable because his drawings amused the soldiers at the front; "the champion clog dancer of the world" thought his supremacy in that art should not be endangered; "the best violin maker in England" felt he was needed at home, a popular "Nut" of the music halls felt that London's indispensable revues would be failures without him; a buyer of silks, an "expert sausage cutter," a warehouse "Samson" with remarkable lifting ability, a bible packer all made pleas, but obtained exemptions for brief periods only.

The plea of conscientious scruples generally comes in for a very severe grilling.

The Pall Mall Gazette says: "It is notorious that the net yield from the single classes has been very disappointing * * * Married men and married women, too, have shown that they are prepared to discharge to the full every claim that their country possesses But they will not tolerate a more lenient regime for those who have lighter responsibilities than themselves, and the exemptions which have been granted to some bachelors make one wonder how the tribunals are going to justify themselves in calling up any head of a family for service."

DISTRICT NURSES TO ORGANIZE

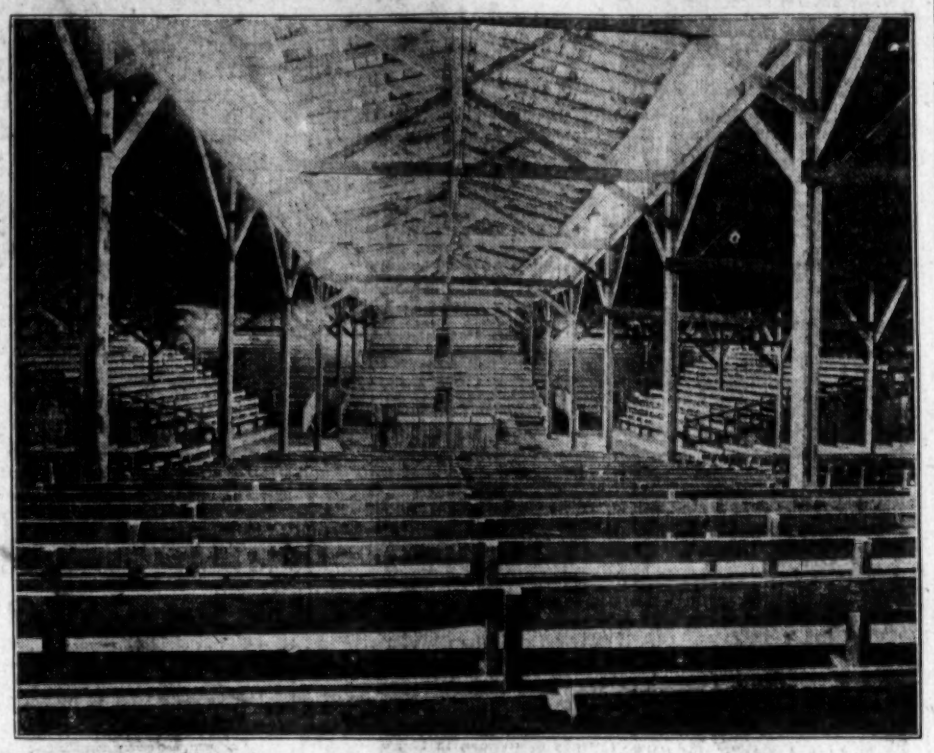
Will Meet at the State Sanatorium On April 7-8.

Sanatorium, N. C., March 17.—All the visiting or district nurses of the State have been invited to meet at the State Sanatorium here, April 7-8, as guests of the Institution. The occasion is the organization of a visiting nurses' association which, it is hoped, will later become a part of or be merged into the State Nurses' Association.

A full and entertaining program has been arranged for this occasion, many of the speakers coming from states that have more nearly worked out the visiting nurse problem. But the nurses of the State will themselves occupy a large part of the program, as they have already been called on for reports, experiences and to present such problems as they have encountered in their work.

It is the plan of Dr. L. B. McBrayer, superintendent of the State Sanatorium, to use the new building, which has just been completed here and which has not been occupied by patients, in entertaining the nurses on this occasion. Other plans are also being made to add to their entertainment and pleasure while here.

INTERIOR VIEW OF THE BIG CHAPMAN-ALEXANDER TABERNACLE



Rapid progress is being made in the construction of the big Tabernacle for the Chapman-Alexander meetings on Castle street, between Third and Fourth and everything will be in readin ess for the opening services on April 9th. Mr. H. E. Bonitz is chairman of the Building Committee and is supervising the erection of the structure.

30,000 YOUNG MEN TO GET TRAINING IN ARMS

Under Regular United States Army Officers This Summer

Advice Received From Military Training Camps Association of the United States by Congressional Committees.

Washington, March 18.—Thirty thousand young Americans will undergo military training under regular army officers this summer. This is the advice the House and Senate Military Affairs committees have received from the Military Training Camps Association of the United States, at 31 Nassau street, New York City. This association has charge of the enrollment of men in the seven or more camps of instruction, at important points in the United States in the period from April to October, this year.

The camps founded on the "Plattsburg idea"—so called because the first camps of that kind were held at Plattsburg, N. Y., on the banks of Lake Champlain, last summer—were uniformly so successful that demands for more camps of the kind have come from all parts of the country.

Since, under present conditions the men at the camps are obliged to pay their own expenses, the training imposes no obligation whatever for subsequent military service. The members have to subscribe to nothing that might bind them to join any military organization. They simply put in four of five weeks of healthful out-door life in tents, under the very best known sanitary conditions, and under the training of some of the best equipped and experienced officers in the regular army.

The men who enroll can, for the most part, be divided into four classes: (a) men whose occupations or home ties do not permit them to enter the National Guard with its fixed night drills, (b) men of the laboring classes who have a prejudice against the militia because of the liability to strike duty, (c, men who, as a matter of principle, will never support a force subject to even partial state control and (d) men living in the country too far away from a militia organization to make service in it possible.

Men in the training camps association, in charge of the Plattsburg movement, declare that the failure to produce hardly more than one volunteer soldier to every 1,000 inhabitants in this country is due to no lack of patriotism. They say it is due to a lack of a workable system that taps the above mentioned available sources of men. The "Plattsburg idea" is to supply that workable system in the summer training camps of the regular army.

The men trained in these camps can be formed in regiments, subject to a prescribed course of field training and thus form a reserve force, under an exclusive Federal control, side by side with the National Guard. The training camps, they say, stand for the principle of exclusive Federal control of our land forces but can be developed without any conflict whatever with the militia system, because the men in the training camps will be drawn from entirely different sources. The two forces, those who have had experience in both National Guard and the instruction camps say, will mutually assist each other.

While the instruction camp training tends to equip properly qualified members for service as officers of the troop bodies, officers of the association say it has a far broader scope. The big idea behind it, they hay, in that movement lays the basis for a "Federal reserve citizen army."

The training camps, thus far, are conducted under a system by which each member pays his own way, under a comparatively small charge for food and uniform ($22.50 to $30.00 for the

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BANKHEAD EXPLAINS GOOD ROADS MEASURE

Difference Between Senate Committee Bill and House Bill

One Important Change is Elimination of Aid to Maintenance of Roads Constructed by Aid of Federal Funds.

Washington, D. C., March 18.—Chairman John H. Bankhead, of the Senate Committee on Postoffice and Post Roads, accompanies the good roads measure reported to the Senate by a memorandum which sets forth the difference between the substitute measure offered and the bill passed by the House of Representatives. Particular emphasis is laid upon the fact that the House legislation did not safeguard completely the expenditure of the joint Federal and State money.

Herewith is the comment covering the point:

"The bill H. R. 7617, passed by the House of Representatives, referred to the Committee on Agriculture and Forestry and later referred to this committee, is most seriously defective in its failure to afford reasonable, inspection and safeguarding on the part of the Federal Government of the Federal appropriations. A careful reading of section 3 of the House bill reveals the fact that no power is vested in the Secretary of Agriculture to disapprove the application by a State highway department for aid under the provisions of the act unless the road for which aid is sought fails to come within the provisions of the act. Inasmuch as the act passed by the House brings practically every class of roads in the United States within the provisions of the act, the Secretary of Agriculture would have no power to disapprove the application. Having no voice whatever in the selection of the road, he is then required by the terms of the bill to request of the State highway department surveys, plans, specifications, estimates, and such other information as he may consider proper. He is given no power of approval or disapproval of the plans, surveys, specifications, and estimates, but is only authorized to examine them and determine what would be a reasonable cost of the proposed investment."

One feature of the House bill which brought forth the greatest criticism was in connection with a possible use of the money for maintenance purposes. The organized motorists through the A. A. A. National Good Roads Board almost unanimously objected to this provision. Eliminating entirely any maintenance expenditure, the Senate memorandum thus sets forth the reason for its objection:

"The House bill carries a provision for aid to road maintenance. This committee believes that the application of Federal funds to this purpose would constitute a never-ending drain upon the Federal Treasury without appreciable results in the form of a greater mileage of improved roads, and would tend to stifle the spirit of self-help on the part of local communities.

"By confining the expendiutre of the joint fund supplied by the Federal government and the respective State governments to construction rather than to maintenance, tangible and durable roads will be provided to take the place of those upon which untold millions have been expended for temporary patchwork in the past. If year by year a steadily growing mileage of firm, smooth, well-constructed roads exist as evidence to show that every dollar of Federal and State money jointly expended has been productive of results, it will not only go far toward providing convenient highways

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NEWS OF ROWLAND SECTION

Farmers Not Worrying About Fertilizers—Little Political Talk. Death.

(Special Star Correspondence).

Rowland, N. C., March 18.—Mrs. Milton Lytch and daughter, Mrs. W. L. Townsend, returned a few days ago from the Northern cities with a beautiful array of hats and millinery goods, and will have their display opening on the 21st and 22nd of March.

Mrs. R. J. Blackwell, of Marion, S. C., spent Thursday here visiting her son and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Blackwell.

Mrs. A. B. Bryant, of Dillon, S. C., died Tuesday and was buried at Ashpole Presbyterian church Wednesday. The funeral service was conducted by Rev. H. J. Miller. Mrs. Bryant had been in bad health for some time. She is survived by her husband, Mr. A. B. Bryant, four sons and three daughters, Messrs. James, Frank, Pete and Ed. Bryant, Mrs. D. L. Sinclair, of Lumber Bridge; Mrs. L. E. Annous, of Clio, S. C., and Mrs. H. L. Calhoun, of Rowland. Mrs. Bryant was born in Marlboro county, S. C., and was a consistent member of Purvis Methodist church. Mr. Bryant moved from South Carolina to Robeson county several years ago and resided here up to two years ago, when he decided to go to Dillon, S. C. Robeson has never had better people within its borders than Mr. and Mrs. Bryant.

Mrs. D. W. Bullock and daughter, Miss Margaret, went to Fayetteville Friday to have Miss Margaret's tonsils removed. The operation was performed by Dr. Smoot and was successful. Miss Margaret is reported recovering very rapidly from the operation.

Mr. W. L. Townsend, secretary and treasurer of the Rowland Oil & Fertilizer Company, has been confined to his home for several days with the grippe.

Very little political talk is heard in this part of Robeson, the least in a long time for an election year. The name of Mr. A. D. McKenzie, of this place, is being mentioned for county commissioner. Mr. McKenzie would make one of the best commissioners Robeson county could get. He is progressive along all lines. He is one of Robeson's most prosperous farmers, banker and horse dealer. The name of Mr. A. T. McKellar, of Rowland, also has been mentioned for the Legislature. This would be another wise selection.

It does not seem that the farmers in this section are worrying in the least about the high prices of fertilizers. Up to the present there has been practically no fertilizers shipped here. In a good many sections the farmers are going back to the old compost making.

Rev. W. S. Ballard, of Cerro Gordo, spent Wednesday in Rowland. He was for several years pastor of the First Baptist church of this place.

Sam Small lectured to a large audience in the Methodist church Wednesday night.

Mr. R. T. Gaitley, who recently had the misfortune to lose all of his horses and mules by fire, has just had ten of the finest mules shipped here that ever came to this part of Robeson. The mules range in age from three to five years old. Mr. Gaitley is farming as though nothing had happened.

Mr. R. S. Dickson, the popular and efficient Coast Line agent here, who has been confined to his room for some time on account of a slight stroke of paralysis, is very much improved.

Messrs. Brack Brothers have installed a steam shovel in their large brick manufacturing plant here. They started in the brick manufacturing business here ten years ago. The output from the plant then was about 15,000 a day. Now it is about 50,000.

Mr. Q. T. Williams, of Lumberton, spent Wednesday here in the interest of his insurance business. Mr. Williams has bought out the Rowland Loan & Trust Company here and has placed it in the hands of Mr. J. S. Lytch as manager.

Misses Eva and Bessie McKay spent today in Fayetteville.

HOKE COUNTY HAS MAN TO SUCCEED R. N. PAGE

State Senator J. W. Johnson is a "Prospective" Candidate.

Cotton Acreage in Upper Robeson About Same as Last Year; Less Fertilizer; More Grain—Red Springs Political Gossip.

(Special Star Correspondence).

Red Springs, N. C., March 18.—Your correspondent interviewed Col. A. T. McCallum and Mr. A. B. Pearsall, two of Robeson's leading farmers and most successful business men, relative to the cotton situation in this section. Both agreed that the acreage will be about the same as last year, with a great reduction of fertilizer, as compared with normal times.

They gave it as their opinion that prospects for a large grain crop, including wheat and oats, were good. Their opinion is that the general outlook for the farmers is brighter because of the abundance of meat and food stuffs grown by them; also because the time merchants are more cautious than ever and are taking very little risk. Messrs. McCallum and Pearsall gave it as their opinion that if the farmers will work closely and practice the same economy that they have shown in the last year, they are bound to come. Mr. McCallum is one of Robeson's largest and most successful planters and business men, is vice-president of the Bank of Red Springs, member of the State Board of Agriculture and is a close student of agricultural interests and methods. Mr. Pearsall is also a larger farmer with other varied business interests, is president of the Bank of Red Springs and is considered authority on financial questions. Both these gentleman are recognized as being among Red Springs' most aggressive and progressive citizens and their counsel is often sought.

His many Red Springs friends were sorry to learn of the death of Mr. J. P. McRae, of Laurinburg. Mr. McRae was one of Scotland's and North Carolina's best known and most successful business men, being one of her pioneers in the cotton mill industry.

The pulpit of the Presbyterian church here last Sabbath was occupied by Rev. H. M. Dixon, professor of the Bible in Flora McDonald College, who by request, preached a special sermon, "In the Spirit Land," that unknown land which the speaker declared lies between death and judgment. By a preponderance of Scriptural argument the preacher showed that the spirits of both saint and sinner dwell in this far off land of Paradise and Purgatory till the judgment day, when all shall receive their final reward, using in support of his argument the Saviour's words to the dying thief, "This day shalt thou be with Me in Paradise;" also Paul's parting words to Timothy, when he exclaimed, "Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness which the Lord, the righteous Judge, shall give me at that day." Not, said the speaker, at Paul's death, but at that day, referring to the judgment day. Mr. Dixon is one of the most logical reasoners and deepest thinkers in the North Carolina Synod.

It is learned that Hoke county has a prospective candidate for Congress to succeed the Hon. Robert N. Page, in the person of State Senator J. W. Johnson, who is one of the strongest men in this section of North Carolina. Should be decide to run, he would make the race interesting. Mr. Johnson is a man of large business affairs and great executive ability, a friend of the farmer, and would doubtless receive their united support, according to the view taken here.

Robeson will, in all probability, put forth the name of Frank Gough as her next State senator, it is learned here. Gough is the best qualified man the writer knows and it is hoped he will

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FROM NEWSBOY TO UNITED STATES SENATE AND BACK

Story of William Lorimer's Rapid Rise, His Meteoric Career and His Fall an Interesting Chapter in Political History of Illinois—Was Born in England—On Trial Past Week.

Chicago, March 18.—The indictment of William Lorimer and thirteen of his business associates for conspiracy in connection with the failure in Chicago in June, 1914, of the La Salle Street Trust and Savings Bank, and the subsequent closing of nine other banks and trust companies controlled by the Lorimer-Munday coterie, ended Lorimer's meteoric career as a financier and one of the republican dictators of Illinois. Charles B. Munday, said to have been directing influence in the Lorimer-Munday string of banks, was found guilty of conspiracy November 19, 191. after a trial at Morris, Ill., the case having been transferred from Cook County on a change of venue on petition of Munday. Lorimer's trial has been in progress this week.

William Lorimer's rapid rise from a Chicago newsboy to a seat in the United States Senate and his fall when his seat was declared vacant on the the ground that his election had been procured by fraud and bribery, form an interesting chapter in the political history of Illinois. Nearly a year after Lorimer's election to the senate, Charles A. White, a member of the legislature, who had voted for Lorimer, made a written confession under oath that he had received a bribe for his vote and that a "jack pot" corruption fund had been used in the session to influence legislation.

Lorimer was born in Manchester, Eng., in 1861, the son of a Presbyterian minister who emigrated with his family to this country and settled in Chicago when young Lorimer was nine years old. He sold newspapers on the streets of Chicago, drove a laundry wagon, and became a street car driver before he entered politics. He served twelve years in Congress before he was elected a United States Senator, May 26, 1909.

Munday was a messenger boy and then became a telegrauh operator in his home town of Litchfield, Ill. Later he became interested in the grain business, and in 1910 came to Chicago and induced Lorimer to enter a bank with him. May 10, 1910 the La Salle Street National Bank opened its doors with William Lorimer, president, and Charles B. Munday, vice president. The institution was denied full admission to the Chicago Clearing House and for a time operated by clearing through another bank.

October 22, 1912, the La Salle Street National Bank was converted into La Salle Street Trust and Savings Bank, a state institution.

The state bank assumed all liabilities and assets of the National, keeping the same capital of $1,000,000 and the same surplus of $250,000.

In the course of the netx year, half a dozen smaller neighborhood banks were organized in Chicago by Lorimer and Munday and became known as subsidiaries of the La Salle Street Trust and Savings Bank. In addition to these, Munday was interested in several downstate banks which had business dealings with the La Salle Street Trust and Savings Bank.

June 12, 1914, Daniel V. Harkin, state bank examiner, appeared at the La Salle Street Trust and Savings Bank two hours before the regular time set for opening. Reports that the parent institution was insolvent had led to a serious run on the bank by depositors. Harkin after a brief examination of the bank's affairs closed the institution. Within a few weeks all the subsidiary banks closed. The Munday downstate banks later felt the effect of the collapse of the La Salle Street Trust and Savings Bank and they also were closed.

June 19, 1914, the Chicago Title and Trust Co., was appointed receiver for the La Salle Street Trust and Savings Bank. Receivers also were named for several of the subsidiary banks. Meanwhile the United States District attorney and the state's attorney of Cook County had begun an investigation of the bank's affairs. Numerous business enterprises of William Lorimer and Charles B. Munday followed the bank into insolvency.

Investigation showed that the proportion of the La Salle Street Trust and Savings Bank assets was made up of loans to enterprises in which Lorimer, Munday and Harry W. Huttig were interested.

As a result of these investigations, indictments were returned against Lorimer, Munday, Huttig and others by both federal and state grand juries. The federal indictments were rushed through in the summer of 1914 in order to get within the statute of limitations, fof these charges were based on the operation of the bank prior to its conversion into a state institution, October 22, 1914.

The bulk of the state indictments were returned by the Cook County grand jury October 21, 1912. These were against Lorimer, Munday, Huttig and other officers and employes of the bank and former officials of the state auditor's office.

The fourteen persons named in the indictments were alleged to have looted the Lorimer-Munday institutions of nearly $2,500,000, with violations of practically every banking law in the state.

It was charged that asses of the La Salle Street Trust and Savings Bank had been used to organize the subsidiary banks, that checks had been "kited" in carrying out the plan and that the parent bank had been insolvent for some time prior to its collapse.

State's attorney Hoyne planned to try all the defendants together. The defendants opposed this and entered motions for separte trials. When these were overruled by the courts, Munday asked for a change of venue on the grounds of prejudice and the case was sent to Morris, Grundy County, for trial.

The Lorimer-Huttig case was expected to go to trial early in January, 1916, and state's attorney Hoyne planned to have one trial for all the defendants.

FRANK GOUGH IN RACE FOR THE STATE SENATE

New Banking Institution at Lumberton Opens Tomorrow.

Alleged Allenton Robber Arrested in California—Sam Small Heard—Goats Prevent Hog Cholera?—Robeson News.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Lumberton, N. C., March 18.—Mr. Frank Gough stated to your correspondent last night that so much pressure had been brought to bear upon him to enter the race for State senator that he had finally decided to do so and that he would announce his candidacy Monday of the coming week. No one will say that there is a man in the county who has its interests more at heart than Frank Gough. He is a progressive business man, progressive farmer and progressive church man. Frank Gough knows from personal experience what the farmers and business men need, as well as any man can know from many years of actual experience.

The writer and Mr. Gough were boys together, have been in close touch with each other for the last forty years, and your correspondent does not believe a better selection could be made. We believe the people of the county generally will agree to this statement. Since Mr. Gough has been old enough he has done as much for the Democratic party as any man in the county.

On Monday of the coming week the Planters Bank & Trust Company, organized several months ago, will begin business in the Farmers and Merchants bank building, that bank being merged into the new institution. The authorized capital of the new institution will be $15,000, the stockholders embracing many of the very best citizens in this State and South Carolina. The Planters Bank and Trust Company will be one of the strongest financial institutions in this section, officered by men who have no superiors in the banking business. The officers of the new institution will be: President, C. B. Townsend, Lumberton; 1st. vice president, R. R. Barnes, Barnesville; 2nd vice president, W. B. Fletcher, McColl, S. C.; treasurer, K. M. Barnes, Lumberton; secretary, O. C. Spaulding, Maxton.

When Mr. C. B. Townsend, president of the new banking institution, first moved to Lumberton he practiced law for awhile, but was appointed clerk of the Superior court by the late Judge McKay, which position he ably filled for 16 years. For the past 18 years he has been with the old Bank of Lumberton, now the National Bank of Lumberton, having served first as cashier and later as active vice-president. He was a charter member of the old bank and much of its great success was due to his popularity and efforts. Mr. Townsend still holds his stock in the National Bank of Lumberton. He is also a stockholder in the Lumberton and Dresden Cotton mills. Mr. Townsend is a native of Robeson, having been reared in the Back Swamp section, and the whole county is justly proud of him. Mr. K. M. Barnes, treasurer, is also a native of Robeson, having been reared at Barnesville, a son of Mr. R. R. Barnes, one of the county's wealthiest and most progressive business men. Mr. Barnes has been cashier of the Farmers and Merchants Bank since it was organized a few years ago, and is held in the highest esteem by all who know him, and justly regarded as one of the most high-toned, conscientious Christian

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GOVERNMENT REPRESENTED

At the Funeral of French Victims of Zeppelin Air Raid.

Paris, March 18.—The government was officially represented at a religious ceremony on the occasion of the funeral of the victims of the last Zeppelin raid for the first time since the separation of church and state. Mr. Denys Cochin, minister of state, was present and though no official announcement of his attendance was made, the subject was debated in the cabinet which fact gave an official character to his presence. The ice once broken, there was no hesitation on the part of President Poincare a few days later in sending a representative to the synagogue in the Rue de Provence to attend a religious service for the Israelites fallen on the field of battle on the different fronts. These two incidents were immediately followed by the meeting of the premier, Monsieur Aristide Briand, and Cardinal Mercier at Rome.

A few years ago any one of these incidents would have been sufficient to have caused the downfall of the government. Today they occasion little surprise and only limited comment. They have given rise to the question as to whether Monsieur Briand's famous doctrine of pacification between the clericals and anti-clericals will not prevail after the war.

Argentina leads South America in the total number of telephones, having 75,000 two years ago, but Uruguay has more per capita.

Women electricians are being trained in electrical work in England, owing to the scarcity of workingmen.

Topic for Sunday, March 19, 1915.

GETTING POWER FROM THE PLEDGE

Ps. 25: 1-14.

The pledge gives power with God by its obligations to prayer and study.

The pledge makes strong Christians by the obligation to take part in public meetings, to mix with our fellows and to do our duty as individuals and Christian citizens.

Human nature requires progress and contentment is only obtained in a struggle for an ideal, which requires a sacrifice. The pledge furnishes this aim and keeps the young Christian working to capacity.

The pledge concentrates energy through organiaztion, in supporting our own local body and by its concentration it makes possible for each individual life to accomplish more in a given time than could be accomplished by many times such lives not so organized.

All organiaztions, be they individual or national, require certain paths set to control their endeavors. During the administration of Thomas Jefferson, over one hundred years ago, our government decided that it was necessary to organize the coast and goedetic survey, as a proper guidance for all our commercial endeavor. So the Christian Endeavor society owes its growth and its power to the pledge.

A rut is the way of the least resistance. It is a way made easy by former travelers. This applies regardless of the energy that is to be used. It may be physical, like driving a vehicle over a road in ruts; it may be mental, like thoughts; it may be spiritual; but in all energy it is the line of least resistance and the form in which we do our best work. The pledge is the rut in which the Endeavorer travels. It points the way, prevents wandering into by-paths, and forms not only the best way to travel, but the shortest to the destination.

At a large Motor Boat Show recently held, there was exhibited a gyroscope used as a stabilizer for ships in storms. For some unknown reason, a gyroscope cannot quickly change its position. Every one is familiar with the gyroscope top, which is sold at 10 cents stores and which will spin in any position, and it has, until recently, been considered but a stoy. But the gyroscope is coming into its own; it is now used to stabilize airships, boats, and makes it possible to run a railroad train on one rail. This gyroscope beautifully illustrates the action of the pledge, for the pledge has a similar stabilizing action on the life of a young Christian. Temptations may come and shocks threaten to upset the equilibrium, but the pledge holds the individual in place until the stress is passed.

The pledge is the chart of life by which even the Bible may be tested and used. The Bible is a book which has been susceptible to many interpretations, depending on the life and envoirments of the individual. Before the war of the Rebellion, Christians of the Southland with slavery in their hearts and lives found sanction in the Bible, while the Christians in the North found nothing to condone in this wonderful book, but condemnation of all bondage. We can liken the Bible to the compass, and the pledge to the chart by which it is used. The compass enjoys an unearned reputation, for it seldom, if ever, points to the true north. On our east coast it points 22 degrees west of north; on the west coast, 25 degrees east of north. The compass in ondonL in a certain length of time has changed its direction of pointing 35 degrees. In one portion of the earth, it points east and west, at another south. It often changes its direction without apparent reason. The mariner makes valuation. So it is with the Bible. Alone it means nothing, but when used in connection with a heart made right towards God, with daily prayer and communion and with close touch with our fellow men, it gives the true course for life.

We get power from our pledge because it contains a concrete statement of things that we purpose to do; and we get power from it in just the proportion that we keep it.

Note the first specific clause in the pledge—" * * * that I will make it the rule of my life to pray and to "system." "The rule of my life * * *" Endeavor is "Efficiency." And in the One of the watchwords of Christian business world today the word most closely connected with "efficiency" is "system." "The rule of my live * * *" There it is. God has as much right to have a portion of our life given systematically to Him as our business or friends of recreation. It is on this principle that the "Morning Watch" is based.

"Some Christians die of starvation They surfeit the inner man with secular stimulants of all sorts—with spiced books of romance, fiction and "light reading." Now all athletic Christians—those who carry heavy loads, do through work and stand a long pull—are hungry feeders in God's work * * * I have always observed that light readers and light thinkers make light Christians, and those who neglect their Bible and their closets soon dwindle into dwarfs. Martin Luther, in the thick of his campaigns with the pope and the devil, said that he could not get on without two good hours each day for his private devotions."

Set up Thy standard, Lord, that we
Who claim the heavenly birth
May march with Thee to smite the lies,
That vex Thy groaning earth.
—THOMAS HUGHES.

PROF. FLOWERS AT TABOR.

Trinity Professor to Deliver Commencement Address Monday.

(Special Star Telegram.)

Tabor, N. C., March 18.—Prof. R. L. Flowers, of Trinity College, Durham, will deliver the literary address before the graduating class of Tabor graded school Monday night. This address will close the commencement exercises of the school. Professor Clinkscales could not come.

Goldsboro, N. C., March 18.—At a meeting of the Board of County Commissioners it was ordered that Mr. I. F. Ormand, chairman, act as auditor, checking up and verifying all accounts, for a consideration of $400 per year, payable quarterly. This will mean quite a saving to the county, as the present county auditor received a salary of $100 per month. Mr. Ormond will assume his new duties April 1st.

SUNDAY SERVICES

First Baptist church, corner Fifth and Market streets, Rev. W. M. Craig, acting pastor: Sunday school in the morning at 9:45. Services at 11. At this time there will be a children's service for a few minutes. All the children are asked to remain to hear Miss Pickard, who will conduct the service. Subject of sermon, "Great Things the Lord Hath Done." The B. Y. P. U. will meet at 6:30 in the evening. Evening worship at 7:30, subject of sermon, "Our Enemies at Work." Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 8. At this meeting the theme, "Counting Jesus In," will be discussed. All are cordially invited to attend and to bring a friend.

Calvary Baptist church, Rev. J. A. Sullivan, pastor: Preaching in the morning at 11 and in the evening at 7:30. Subjects of sermons: Morning, "One God and One World;" evening, "The Way Made Plain." Boys' Club and Junior B. Y. P. U. at 10. Missionary societies will meet at the close of the morning service. Deacon's meeting in the afternoon at 3. Sunday school at 3:30. Training class Tuesday night. Prayer meeting Wednesday night. Senior B. Y. P. U. Thursday night. Sunbeams Friday afternoon at 3:30. Song service Friday night. A cordial welcome to all services.

Immanuel Presbyterian church, corner Front and Queen streets: Preaching in the morning at 11 o'clock and in the evening at 7:30. Sunday school at 3 in the afternoon. A most cordial invitation to attend the preaching service, Sunday school and prayer meeting. The minister, officers and members will give a hearty welcome. The Woman's Missionary Society will meet at the home of Mrs. Fulton Benton Monday afternoon at 3:30. All the members will be present and all the women of the church are invited.

Fifth Avenue Methodist church, Rev. J. H. Shore, pastor: Preaching in the morning at 11 and in the evening at 8, by the pastor. Subjects of sermons: Morning, "The Work of Christ and the Greater Works of the Church;" evening, "The Most Certain Thing in Life." Mr. Ram Sing Derrick, a converted Hindoo, will make an address at the evening service. Sunday school in the morning at 9:45. Epworth League Tuesday evening at 8. Services Wednesday evening at 8. A cordial invitation to all these services.

Christ church, Dock street, Rev. J. E. Reynolds, pastor: Preaching in the morning at 11 and in the evening at 7:30 by the pastor. Sunday school at 10 . Christian Endeavor in the evening at 6:45. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 8.

Bladen Street Methodist church, Rev. J. P. Pate, pastor: Preaching in the morning at 11 and in the evening at 7:30. Sunday school in the afternoon at 3. A welcome to all.

St. Paul's Episcopal church, Sixteenth and Market streets, Rev. E. deF. Heald, rector: Holy communion in the morning at 7:30. Sunday school at 9:45. Morning prayer and sermon ("Present Day Idolatry") at 11. Evening prayer and sermon ("Singleness of Service") at 8 (Question box). Seats free. All cordially welcome.

Southside Baptist church, corner Fifth avenue and Wooster streets; Rev. W. G. Hall, pastor: Morning worship at 11 o'clock and in evening at 7:30 o'clock. Evening subject, "A Soul Stirring Meditation," by the pastor. Sunday school at 3 p. m., Mr. J. M. Batson superintendent. Mid-week prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock. B. Y. P. U. Friday evening at 8 o'clock. Public cordially invited to all services of the church.

St. James Episcopal church, corner Third and Market streets, Rev. W. H. Milton, D. D., rector: Holy communion in the morning at 7:30. Morning prayer and sermon at 11. Evening prayer and sermon at 7:45. Organ recital at 7:30. Daily afternoon service and address from 6 to 6:30. Everybody welcome.

St. Matthew's Lutheran church, Fourth and Harnett streets, Rev. G. W. McClanahan, pastor: Preaching in the morning at 11. Subject of sermon: "A Prayerful Appeal." Evening services at 7:30 will be closing meeting of the week of prayer service of the Woman's Missionary Society. Sunday school at 3:30 in the afternoon. All cordially invited. Annual congregational meeting will be held Wednesday evening at 8.

St. John's Episcopal church, Third and Red Cross streets, Rev. W. E. Cox, rector: Holy communion in the morning at 7:30. Morning prayer and sermon at 11. Sunday school at 4. Evening prayer and sermon at 8 o'clock. Seats free. All are cordially invited.

St. John's Mission, 1313 N. Fourth street: Sunday school in the morning at 9:30. Mr. Virginius Hall superintendent. Service Wednesday evening at 8, with sermon by Rev. E. deF. Heald. All are cordially invited.

Christian Science Society, church edifice Seventeenth and Market streets: Services in the morning at 11. Subject "Matter." Sunday school at 12:15. Testimonial meeting Wednesday evening at 8:15. Free reading room in the Murchison National Bank building, open daily, except Sundays and holidays, from 4 to 6:30 in the afternoon. The public is cordially invited to attend the services and visit the reading room.

St. Mary's Pro-Cathedral, Fifth Ave. and Ann street: First mass in the morning at 7. Last mass and sermon at 10:30. Vespers in the evening at 8.

Grace Methodist church, Rev. M. T. Plyler, pastor: Preaching in the morning at 11 by Rev. L. E. Thompson, presiding elder. In the evening at 7:45 Rev. C. L. Evarts will preach on the subject, "And He Came to Himself." Sunday school in the morning at 9:45. Large crowds are expected to all these services and a cordial welcome awaits every one.

Winter Park Methodist church, Rev. J. H. Miller, pastor: Preaching at 11 a. m. by the pastor. Sunday school at 10 o'clock. Preaching at Bethany at 3 p. m.

Seagate Methodist church, J. H. Miller pastor: Preaching at 7:30 p. m. Everybody invited to attend this service.

St. Paul's Lutheran church, Market and Sixth streets, Rev. F. B. Clausen, pastor: Morning service at 11. Topic of sermon: "The Love of the World," evening service at 8. Topic of sermon: "Accomplishing Something Worth While." Sunday school 3:30 in the afternoon. Junior Missionary Society Monday at 3:30 p. m. Visitors are invited o all services. Wednesday mid-week Lenton service 8 p. m.

MR. A. C. REID SELECTED

To Represent Wake Forest in State Peace Contest.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Wake Forest, March 18.—Mr. A. C. Reid, of Davidson county, was selected by a committee of judges from the faculty Thursday night to represent Wake Forest College in the State Peace Contest which will be held at Durham about the first of April. Kyde M. Yates, of Wake county, was awarded second place.

The preliminary contest was held in Wingate Memorial Hall with ten men speaking.

FRANK GOUGH IN RACE FOR THE STATE SENATE

(Continued From Page Eleven.)

gentlemen of this section, well qualified for the responsible position. Mr. O. C. Spaulding, secretary and bond officer of the company, the promoter and organizer of the institution, is an experienced banker, having held responsible positions in some of the largest banks, never failing to give satisfaction, as his former employers testify. Some of his best friends are connected with these banks. He always had and held the esteem and respect of his employers, and is especially noted for his energy and zeal for his work, never losing sight of the courtesy due his suctomers.

Arrested in California.

The man who it is said claims the job of robbing the postoffice and Seaboard ticket office at Allenton, five miles east of here, in February, has been arrested in California, and it is supposed he will be brought back to North Carolina for trial. He uses two names, P. C. Armstrong and A. A. Hardy. He carried with him from the Allenton postoffice a pad of money orders which probably has something to do with his arrest. He ackknowledged the crime, still having on his person some articles taken from that place, it is said. Uncle Sam's sleuths are dangerous trailers.

Rev. Dr. Sam Small filled his appointment here last Monday night, lecturing in the Methodist church to a large crowd. T hat he is a great speaker no one will deny, but since he was here we have heard opinions expressed which indicated that some parts of his address should have been delivered elsewhere than in the house of God. Personally, the writer likes Sam Small, but he, like all others, may have his faults.

In the death of Dr. T. L. Northrop, of St. Pauls, which occurred in a Charlotte hospital last Monday morning, St. Pauls and Robeson county at large lost one of its best citizens. Dr. Northrop had not enjoyed good health for the past two or three years, but was a Lumberton visitor three weeks ago. To know Dr. Northrop was to like him, and he was held in the highest esteem by a large circle of friends. The funeral was conducted at St. Pauls Tuesday at 12 o'clock, attended by one of the largest gatherings on a similar occasion ever seen in the county.

Hog Cholera Doctor.

Your correspondent in company with Mr. Geo. L. Thompson visited the Back Swamp section one day this week. We can't tell w hat we saw—people will have to go and see for themselves. Mr. Thompson runs a 16-horse farm—that will give some idea. And his farm is equipped with whatever is needed. It is worth the trip to see his hogs. Stock law, pshaw, no more old style fences for him. He keeps what he terms his "hog doctor" in the pasture. The doctor is just a plain old-fashioned billy goat. Mr. Thompson says his father always kept goats with his hogs and didn't know what hog cholera was. There can be seen the finest breeds of chickens and cattle. Green pastures of rye keep cattle, hogs and fowls rolling fat. We went on to Back Swamp where Mr. J. A. Thompson operates one of the finest farms in that section. We passed a number of p rosperous looking farms, clean, well-kept, showing that the people in that section are thirfty and hard working. It is a genuine pleasure to find oneself in a locality like the Back Swamp section. It is a true saying that "one half the world doesn't know what the other half is doing." People in town should go into the country and see what is going on.

Labor in Demand.

We were delighted one day this week to meet our old-time friend, Mr. Geo. P. Howey, of Wilmington. When we first knew him he was a salesman for the old shoe firm of Evans & VonGlahn, and later wi htthe late Mr. W. C. VonGlahn. Mr. Howey was in Lumberton in search of laborers for a fertilizer plant of the city.

The vaudeville show which was booked for the Pastime Theatre last three nights of this week did not arrive, which the management considers just as well. But for Monday and Tuesday of the coming week the "Honeymoon Girls" have been secured for the Pastime. The show, composed of 15 people, has been playing the Victoria in Wilmington all this week, and the papers of that city declare the attraction one of the best ever seen there. Prices will be 25 and 35 cents. In addition to the 14 musical numbers, comedy, etc., regular picture service will be run. First show will go on at 7:30 and the second show at 9:15. Show will be open in the afternoon as usual, at regular 5 and 10 cents prices, including tin cans.

Agent Sharpsteen, of the "Walk this Way" company, was in town Thursday, making arrangements for the coming of that show to the opera house next Wednesday. This is a Billy Clifford show, carrying a ladies brass band and orchestra, the ladies of the band said to be all French. A street parade and concert will be given in the afternoon at 3:30. This is said by several who have seen it to be an excellent musical attraction. Seats will go on sale at Pope's Drug Store Monday.

Mr. Joseph W. Little of Wilmington, candidate for Congress, spent yesterday in Lumberton. To your correspondent last night Mr. Little stated that prospects were very satisfactory to him. One thing is sure, Mr. Little is going to have the support of some of the leading Democrats of Robeson. In this connection, the writer is reminded of a statement he heard "The Duke of Brunswick" make on the street here one night about a month ago. While discussing the situation, the "Duke" said that if Herbert McClammy didn't run, Little would carry New Hanover. In his interview published in The Star a few days ago, he intimated that he expected Godwin to carry every county in the district except possibly one. Wonder if he referred to New Hanover or some other county. The Star correspondent doesn't say so, but others have said, do say and will say that some big office holders have armies of missionaries in the political field, working day and night, while the people are taxed to death to pay their salaries.

All Lumberton will be delighted to know that Mr. O. C. Spaulding will move his family from Maxton to Lumberton, where they will make their home for the future. W. S. W.

NEW CATALOGUE LARGEST UNIVERSITY EVER ISSUED

Faculty Now Numbers 97 Members —Changes in Entrance Conditions.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Chapel Hill, March 18.—The new catalogue of the University, which has just come from the press, is the largest ever published, containing 340 pages in all. This growth in size is due to the addition of many new courses, and also to the fuller treatment of the many University activities. The catalogue shows that the faculty of the University now numbers 97 in all; 65 professors and instructors, and 32 fellows and assistants.

The number of students enrolled for the year are as follows: In the college, 750; the graduate school, 36; the school of law, 134; the school of medicine, 77; the school of pharmacy, 62; the summer school (candidate for degrees, 193, and normal students, 538), 731. The total number of regular students (no names repeated) is 1,252, or including the normal students, 1,695, the largest enrollment in the history of the institution.

A few changes have been made in the entrance conditions for next year, certain vocational subjects now being accepted for entrance. However, a candidate may offer only two units in vocational subjects for admission to the College of Liberal Arts. These vocational subjects include—commercial geography, a half unit; general agriculture, one unit; bookkeeping, commercial arithmetic, and stenography and typewriting, one unit each; manual training, two units. One unit of credit in general science is also granted. Spanish may be substituted for French or German in lieu of entrance requirements.

ew York, March 18.—The National Tennis Association executive committee announced today a proposed new amateur rule to be presented at the meeting of the association in 1917. Officials said that the present rule was so ambiguous it would be impossible under it to disbar Maurice E. Mcloughlin, Thomas C. Bundy and W. M. Johnston, the Californians, or F. B. Alexander and Wallace F. Johnson, in the East, because of their connection with the sporting goods business.

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NINTH INSTALLMENT

SYNOPSIS.

Little Helen Holmes, daughter of General Holmes, railroad man, is rescued from imminent danger on a scenic railroad by George Storm, a newsboy. Grown to young womanhood, Helen saves Storm, now a fireman, her father, and his friends Amos Rhinelander, financier, and Robert Seagrue, promoter, from a threatened collision. Safebreakers employed by Seagrue steal General Holmes' survey plans of the cut off line for the Tidewater, fatally wound the general and escape. Her father's estate badly involved by his death, Helen goes to work on the Tidewater. Helen recovers the survey plans from Seagrue, and though they are taken from her, finds an accidentally made proof of the survey blueprint. Storm is employed by Rhinelander. Spike, befriended by Helen, in his turn saves her and the right-of-way contracts when Seagrue kidnaps her. Helen and Storm win for Rhinelander a race against Seagrue for right-of-way.

A CLOSE CALL

Despite Seagrue's persistent opposition, Rhinelander secured the right of way to enable him to complete the Superstition cut-off, and unable to stop the Tidewater construction work, Seagrue resolved to try other methods to defeat his rival.

Helen Holmes was enjoying the taste of camp life that her trip to the front had brought. And after the excitement had died down attending the destruction of Cassidy's house, she found herself amused and interested in Cassidy himself, who was busy next morning trying to restore a much-battered stove to service near the wreck of his shack. Helen watched his dazed efforts until sympathy overcame her, and excusing herself, she walked over to where Cassidy was struggling to get a fire going.

Seagrue, who had been watching the scene from a distance, saw Helen join the old fellow and deemed it his opportunity to make tentative advances toward the collective enemy. Sauntering over, accordingly, he joined Helen at a moment in which she had sent Cassidy for water and was herself watching the fire starting in the stove.

Helen looked up in astonishment when she heard Seagrue's greeting. Indeed, she resented his intrusion so strongly that she refused all communication with him and for a time he spoke into deaf ears.

"You ought not to be too hard on me, Helen," he urged at length. "Any man will fight for his life against ruin. That's all I've done. Everything I have in the world is tied up in this Superstition cut-off. But more than once I said to myself, I would willingly sacrifice it all to regain your friendship."

He spoke slowly and looked so beaten and worried as he lingered in the penumbra of Helen's gaze that she began to denounce him indignantly for his villainous conduct.

He took her stinging reproaches without resentment. "I admit," he said, "my temper carries me too far, sometimes."

"Sometimes!" echoed Helen. "A hundred and fifty!"

"When I do get angry," confessed Seagrue, "I lose my head. I stop at nothing. When it's all over, nobody is sorrier for it than I am. I have acted shamefully. I know that. And what hurts the most is that it should have cost me your friendship and my uncle's."

While the talk thus begun between the two was going on in this fashion, Storm, who had been busied with Rhinelander experimenting with some new jacks, noticed what Helen was doing; and that the man standing near her was none other than Seagrue. Scarcely able to believe his eyes, the young constructionist called to Rhinelander to look. The latter disengaged himself from his new machines long enough to see what Storm had seen and putting another man in charge of the work, he hurried off, followed by Storm, over to Cassidy's zone.

They arrived together just in time to find Seagrue putting wood on Helen's fire. He turned from his peaceful role to greet Rhinelander, quite casually, with a good morning; Helen, in good spirits, was stepping rapidly around preparing a meal. Rhinelander looked from one to the other in amazement, and striding forward, confronted Seagrue. "What does all this thing mean?" he demanded angrily. "What are you up to now, Seagrue?"

Seagrue met the wrathful greeting composedly. His answer was amiable and unruffled. "We have been talking over old times, Uncle Amos." He indicated Helen by the slightest nod. "I've told Helen, what you well know, that everything I have in the world has been tied up in this fight. But I've also told her I would sacrifice every bit of it to regain your good will and hers. I'm sorry for the lengths I've gone to. It's been a mistake. It doesn't reflect any credit on me, I know that. But can't we forget it? Forget everything, here and now, and work together, you and I, for the future instead of trying to cut each other's throats? Why not combine our interests, uncle, and take a fresh start?"

But Rhinelander, gentle though he was in disposition and forbearing to a degree that surprised his friends, was yet too old in the ways of the world to put his trust in assurances without deeds to back them. He regarded Seagrue firmly: "This fight," he said briefly, "was not one of our choosing, Seagrue. You forced us into it," he reminded his nephew. "We cannot compromise now when sure of success."

Seagrue, whether hopeless, or dogged in his attitude, took the rebuke hard. He did not resent it but he looked down and out. So much so that Helen felt sorry. She even made occasion, as he stood gloomily watching her, to go over to him and express her regret that Rhinelander did not feel, as she did, that it might be better for everybody to try to be friends once more.

Storm, who had stood apart and was churning inside at the situation, now intervened: "Come over to camp, Helen. That man doesn't mean a syllable of what he says. You're wasting time listening to him. Come along."

She resented the positive way in which the words were spoken. Her manner when she answered revealed some of her impatience: "I'll come," she said, with a suggestion of curtness, "just as soon as I get through here."

Rhinelander detected her resentment. He knew better than anyone in the world that the spirited girl could not be driven and could not even be coaxed too far. He beckoned to Storm. "Let's go," he suggested in an undertone.

Storm seemed against the proposal. Rhinelander quietly urged it. "You can't do any good," he explained in a low tone. "I know what's best. Come with me."

Storm, angry as a schoolboy, at what he deemed the folly of giving the slightest countenance to Seagrue, followed his friend reluctantly. But having averred she would not go, Helen, conscious herself now of the strain of the situation, turned to Seagrue and told him she must be leaving. He extended his hand. "I'm sorry the trouble has gone so far," she said hurriedly, as she shook hands with him to show she bore no irremovable ill will. "But I guess there's no help for the situation at present."

Seagrue watched her follow Rhinelander and Storm, who waited for her on the edge of the camp. The three went on together towards Rhinelander's outfit car still discussing the troublesome subject. Seagrue, however, realized he must do something, if not in one way in another, and he left Cassidy's to send for a local attorney who had already acted for him in right-of-way matters.

To him, when he arrived, Seagrue explained his present predicament for an outlet. "What I must know is," he said, "whether the city of Las Vegas will grant our people a right of way along here through city property?"

The attorney shook his head. "I don't think that can ever be put over."

Seagrue was cold. "You've got to do it. There's no other way for us to get through. If you hold us up on it, we shall be compelled to abandon our line here."

With this cannon cracker exploding under him, the attorney promised he would see what could be done. "But I want you along with me," he declared, "to lay the case before the city authorities yourself."

The two started for town together. In Seagrue's camp, Spike, an hour later, was seated in front of a tent cleaning a lamp when Seagrue returned still in company with the attorney. Their sounding out of the city fathers had been unsuccessful and Seagrue handed his foreman a notice to post on the bulletin board:

WORK WILL BE SUSPENDED ON THE COAST AND COLORADO CUT-OFF UNTIL LAS VEGAS GRANTS A RIGHT OF WAY TO ALLOW THIS COMPANY TO REACH THE SUPERSTITION MINES.

Spike, sauntering over, read the notice. Seagrue's eye fell on him at that moment and a recollection of what he termed Spike's treachery came to his mind. He spoke to the convict roughly. "I suppose you know that in helping Rhinelander get those contracts, you caused this trouble, Spike."

Spike glanced at him with an angry shake of the head. "Rhinelander didn't need me to get the contracts. Helen Holmes is the one that beat you, Seagrue."

The remark did not help to soothe Seagrue's irritation. He kept after Spike all the harder. "If you cross me again," he said, threateningly, "I'll hand you over to some high voltage, my friend."

The wrangle was going from bad to worse when Bill came in with Seagrue's coat. The latter, putting it on, took his hat, directed Lug to post the bulletin, beckoned to the attorney and accompanied by him and Bill, started for the station to catch the main line local, then due. When the train pulled in Seagrue and the attorney boarded it. Bill started back for camp.

Spike, left alone, went into his tent. He sat some moments thinking. Then he rose and from a corner got out the suit of clothes, carefully put away, that Helen had bought for him in Las Vegas. The least he could do, he felt, was to take this over to Rhinelander's camp and return it to her with such lame explanation as he could invent to cover the occasion.

He found Helen alone. She regarded him strangely as he approached. Spike would rather have faced a sheriff than to face her on such an errand. He shuffled toward her ill at ease and her silence did not help to allay his embarrassment.

"I know you bought the clothes for me," he muttered, "because I helped you get the contracts. I hated to turn back the way I did to Seagrue's camp. I hate to bring these back to you. But the way I'm fixed I can't double-cross Seagrue."

Helen saw he was greatly humiliated. And she was mystified a little by his words. "Spike," she said, kindly, "the clothes are nothing. But what have I done to you that you should treat me in the way you did?"

He labored in continued confusion to explain. He tried to tell her Seagrue had done many things for him; he told her he owed Seagrue a lot of money and he had no hope of ever paying him back except by work, and that he didn't feel he ought to break away now.

Storm and Rhinelander came up at that moment. They greeted Spike. He avoided their eyes as much as possible and returned their greeting in a shame-faced way. Helen answered the surprise that overspread the faces of Storm and Rhinelander. "It's no wonder he's ashamed to speak to you," she said severely. "You would hardly believe it, I know; but the fact is he has turned over to Seagrue again."

The two men looked at Spike with undisguised contempt. Their attitude made him desperate. "Oh, I know what you think of me," he said with a reckless swing of his head. "I can't help it. I can't explain. It would take me from now till the middle of next week, if I tried—and then you'd think less of me than you do now. Never be kind to me again. It's hopeless for me—but I can't help it."

The three watched him shuffle away. Rhinelander shook his head. "There's a mystery somewhere in it. I can't make it out. Some day we'll know."

At Seagrue's camp, Bill and the paymaster were handing checks out to the men. The latter stood about the car in discontented groups and discussed over their situation in being thrown so suddenly out of work. The paymaster handed Bill a check. It was for Spike. Bill yelled his name. A man hard by pointed to Rhinelander's camp. "There's Spike," said the man, "over there at Rhinelander's."

Bill's sharp eyes followed the gesture. Spike at that moment was just leaving Rhinelander, Helen and Storm. Bill, a knave of more than ordinary discernment and one who hated Spike for his share in the fight at Las Vegas, saw in the incident his chance to get even. He put the check aside and a moment later when Spike appeared at the pay car, Bill was ready. Descending the car steps, Bill called to Spike as the latter came forward. Bill advanced to meet him. "What do you mean, Spike," demanded Bill in loud and aggressive tones, pitched so that everybody might hear, "by running over to Rhinelander's camp all the time? What are you up to now, Spike?"

Spike was in the worst possible mood to be badgered by anybody. With a hot expletive he bade Bill mind his own business and offered gratuitously to break his head.

Bill turned to the men with a shout: "This is the duck," he cried, "that helped Rhinelander steal our right of way, boys. He's the guy that's thrown us all out of work. What do you know about that?"

Spike, in most opprobrious language, flatly gave Bill the lie. The men, most of whom were spoiling for a row, closed in to hear and devour the heated argument that the two enemies engaged in. Accusations and denials fell thick and fast; abuse followed assertions, hard words and a deep-seated enmity raised the tempers of both men and Bill, without further warning, swung and sent Spike with a terrific left-hander to the ground.

Spike was no sooner down than up. He came back at Bill, goaded to fury by the unprovoked attack. Men crowded up. Their cries and shouts had already attracted the attention of Storm and Helen who stood with Rhinelander still discussing Spike. Storm was the first to perceive what was going on in Seagrue's camp.

"They're after Spike," he exclaimed. "Look! Down he goes—that bull-necked Bill hit him. He's up again. The whole bunch are jumping him. They'll kill that fellow. Well," he mused, as the clamor grew and Spike, fighting desperately to keep from being surrounded, went down again. "I suppose he's no great loss."

"But," cried Helen, "we can't see a man murdered before our eyes. I won't stand it. I'll go help him myself if nobody else will."

Undismayed by the undertaking, Helen, followed by Rhinelander trying to stop her, hurried toward Seagrue's camp. Storm, with more forethought, hastily got together such of his men as were within hearing and yelling in his turn to Helen to wait, started after her and Rhinelander. Fast as the men ran none could overtake her flying feet. She dashed into the thick of the fight ahead of everybody and seizing Spike, pushed back his assailants.

They stopped an instant from sheer amazement at seeing a lovely girl, seemingly fallen from the sky, in the middle of the hot scrimmage.

Rhinelander rushed to her side. "Hands off," he cried, putting Spike behind him. "Shame! Twenty to one! Where's your manhood?"

Without pausing to consider this irrelevant question, the mob started in to hammer Spike and Rhinelander both. It was then that George Storm's preparedness was vindicated. He fought his way into the ring followed by a dozen huskies who beat back Seagrue's men till Storm was enabled to pull Spike away—his men holding the line back of him.

1—Seagrue Met the Wrathful Greeting Composedly.
2—Rhinelander and Storm Picked Up Spike.
3—"We Are Running Away!" Storm Cried, to Rhinelander.
4—"I Hate to Bring These Back to You, but I Can't Double-Cross Seagrue."

But this diversion was good only for a moment and Storm—not unused to riots and fighting—knew better than his companions, the necessity of further instant dispositions.

Helen had kept close to her friends. "We've got to get him out of here quick," exclaimed Storm to her. "They'll tear him limb from limb if they get him again. Helen," he cried. "Back the outfit cars down the cut-off for us, will you, as quick as the Lord will let you? We'll hustle him inside one."

Helen ran. Rhinelander and Storm, picking up Spike, now almost unconscious, dragged him, fast as they could, from the scene, their men covering their retreat and giving ground only as they were forced to by sheer weight of numbers. Fighting stubbornly step by step in this way, Storm and Rhinelander dragging their burden in front of the protesting line—which threatened every moment to give way under the fierce assaults—got Spike to the cut-off track. Helen had reached the engine cab and was ready to pull out the cars. Together the two men threw Spike bodily into the open door of the last car. Climbing aboard after Rhinelander, Storm signaled to Helen in the cab. She opened the throttle and just as Seagrue's angry men reached the car, Storm slammed the door shut and Helen moved the string hastily down the track.

The incident would have been closed, with the hind outfit car making rapidly towards safety, had not the wholly unexpected happened to upset Storm's plan. That very day Rhinelander's linemen had set in half a dozen telegraph poles and the anchor wire of one of these placed near the track, caught, as the second last car sped past, on the step. The pole swayed violently. For a moment Rhinelander's men, watching, hoped it might clear. But crashing suddenly forward, it fell between the last two cars, struck the coupling heavily and sprung the knuckle.

Helen, watching from the cab, saw what happened. She hastily applied the air and feeling they were now far enough away to be safe from the angry men, did not worry about the accident until she perceived as she brought the train to a stop that the outfit car, last in the string, had become detached from the train and was running away.

Inside this Rhinelander and Storm were working on Spike. He opened his eyes after a time and they told him he was safe, not suspecting themselves, that their car was now running wild and down a long grade, to the main line. Indeed, they felt so relieved at Spike's return to consciousness that several moments passed before signs of the accident recorded themselves to Storm's experienced ear. The car was running too far and too fast and springing to the door he pulled it open to see what Helen was doing in the cab. A glance told him the story. "We're running away," he cried to Rhinelander, who joined him. Storm sprang for the side ladder.

Helen was alive to the new danger to her friends. But how to help them taxed, for an instant, her ingenuity. To chase them with the engine, as they were headed for the main line, might end in a more serious disaster than now seemed imminent. The main line passenger train was almost due at Baird and the thought of this fact was first in Helen's mind. Near where she stood was Seagrue's motor car, the one her abductors had used only a few days before. She ran to this and springing into the seat, turned over the engine, accelerated as fast as she dare, and was off in pursuit of the runaway.

She was sure she must pass Arden station before she possibly could catch the wild car and pulling the cushion from the seat beside her, scribbed hastily across it with a piece of chalk:

RUNAWAY CAR FROM CUT-OFF ON MAIN LINE. STOP PASSENGER AT BAIRD.

With this in her hands as she tore past Arden station, she rose to her feet, balanced herself with an effort and flung the cushion with all the force she could summon through the operator's window.

On the deck of the runaway car Storm had seized the brake.

He might have saved his companions and himself even then, had not the chain, weakened by rust, snapped under the tremendous strain put on it.

The deck became impossible and to avoid being shot off it, Storm climbed down the swaying ladder again into the car.

At Arden station the astonished operator had just time to dodge Helen's flying motor car cushion as it smashed through the window. It landed on the floor. The chalk scrawl on the top caught his eye.

In the dispatchers' office the chief was sitting at his desk and a dispatcher was on his trick at the instrument. He answered Arden instantly, took the startling message, walked hurriedly over to the chief and handed it to him:

H. C. W. Runaway car from cut-off on main line. Stop passenger at Baird.—L.

The dispatcher sprang to his train sheets and back with them to the chief who dictated the only possible answer:

Passenger left Baird four minutes ago.

It was too late to avoid a collision. They could only await the issue.

With Arden station left far behind, Helen, making the utmost possible speed in Seagrue's machine, scanned the track ahead for a glimpse of the wild car. Resolved at any cost to overtake it, she was running the machine on the right of way and on the track itself in her determined effort. When she caught sight of the runaway, no one was to be seen upon it, but she knew Rhinelander and Storm were inside and as she began to overhaul the chase, she sounded her horn insistently. The two men, leaving Spike, who in the face of the common danger had pulled himself partly together, looked out of the side door. To their amazement they saw at their heels Helen bumping violently along in Seagrue's machine. She signaled them excitedly. She tried to shout to them but could not make a word heard above the deafening noises. Rhinelander and Storm did make out, however, that she wanted them to go to the top of the car and the two men climbed the side ladder again.

Helen, still close behind, scribbed a note, folded it hurriedly, took off a shoe, stuck the note inside and with careful aim, threw it up on top of the car. The men secured the shoe and read the note:

PASSENGER DUE—MUST DITCH CAR—JUMP.

Rhinelander and Storm looked at each other and looked down the line. The smoke of the passenger train rose on the horizon. There was nothing to do but what Helen directed. They thought of Spike below, but Helen was calling to them and without further delay the two men jumped one after the other down into the machine. They told Helen of Spike's plight. She nodded as if the difficulty were no more than a detail, slued the machine from between the rails, drove around the outfit car, slowed alongside it and all three shouted. Spike, hearing his name, listened and sat up. He saw the machine outside the door and crawled forward but he was unequal to a leap. Rhinelander and Storm urged him to make every effort. He got to his feet and did the best he could toward a jump. The men together half caught and half pulled him into the machine. With the three aboard, Helen sped on ahead of the runaway.

Storm had decided what to do. "I'll drop off the hind end, Helen," he exclaimed, "and derail the car."

She caught his idea. "Quick!" she cried. "No time to lose."

Storm rolled over the back of the machine and dropped to the ground. A bridge spanned an arroyo just ahead. Running forward, Storm caught up such loose rocks as he could reach and placed them along the track. Helen, choosing a negotiable point, turned her machine courageously off the right of way and steered it safely down the embankment. The outfit car struck the rocks Storm had thrown on the track. It reeled, plunged wildly into the air and shot headlong over the bridge to the bottom of the arroyo.

In the distance the oncoming passenger train was whistling for a crossing close ahead. Storm running back to the track, cleared it hurriedly of the obstructions. The engineer of the train, scenting trouble, tried to check his train but it was too late, and Storm, to save himself, dropped down between the ties and hung there till the heavy train hurtled past. No engine driver was ever more relieved than the man in the passenger cab, when he saw himself safely across. He stopped his train. From the foot of the bridge, Helen, Spike and Rhinelander were making their way to the top and were with Storm when the crews and passengers came back. The engineman angrily told the conductor the trouble. But after Storm's brief story, he was as grateful as he had been indignant.

The conductor, knowing the anxiety among the dispatchers, urged his passengers on board and the train hastened on. The moment it pulled into Arden the conductor gave the details to the operator and the latter wired headquarters.

In the dispatchers' office it was the chief himself who jumped to the instrument when he heard the Arden call. It was the chief who took the message telling how Helen and Storm had saved the train. But the chief, as he wiped his face with his handkerchief, reflected that it was only another incident in the day's work on the rail, happily, instead of tragically, closed.

At the bridge Spike was trying to express his gratefulness to the three who had rescued him. They left the scene together in the commandeered machine; and with perhaps a little better understanding of one another than any of them had yet reached

THEATRICAL

Anna Held, she of the naughty eyes, whose world-wide fame needs no announcing, comes to the Royal tomorrow in the Morosco-Paramount photoplay, "Madame La Presidente." This sparkling French comedy of the matrimonial tangles of M. Galipaux, the white-haired judge, by its spicy Parisian flavor, enables dainty Miss Held to attain that height of fascination and charm which has placed her name on the lips of everyone in Wilmington.

"Madame La Presidente" is the one play that could have been selected to display the nerve, the vivacity, the fascination of Anna Held as no other photoplay production could display it, and portrays the very height of the charm and fascination which has made this most wonderful of all actresses

ANNA HELD.

Appearing at the Royal Tomorrow in the Great Feature "Madame La Providentia."

the most famous, as well as one of the most beautiful women on the American or European stage.

"Madame La Presidente" was written by Maurice Henequin and Pierre Veber, and was one of the greatest Paris hits of the century. In the stage reproduction, all of the spectacular scenery of the Parisian courts, with Miss Held in some of the most gorgeous gowns that ever graced any presentation on stage or screen, make it the notable photoplay event of the year, a feature that should draw the largest crowds that ever packed the Royal theatre.

Big Treat at the Grand.

Tomorrow at the Grand theatre, Wilmington amusement lovers are to have the big treat of their lives, in the presentation of the first of the Henry W. Savage stage productions to be filmed for the movies. Henry W. Savage only recently perfected arrangements with Pathe for filming all of the great musical comedy sensations which he has produced during the past few years, many of which have been seen in Wilmington—never under a $2 scale for prices, and the first one to be screened is "Excuse Me," that great Pullman car pleasantry of berths and mirths in five sections, by Rupert Hughes.

In "Excuse Me" is to be seen the original cast of stars who were seen in Wilmington, including Vivian Blackburn in the leading feminine role, Geo. F. Marion, that inimitable interpreter of the Pullman porter, with Robert Fisher and Harrison Ford. All of these great stars will be recognized by those who saw "Excuse Me," the funniest farce comedy ever seen at the Academy of Music.

The Moving Picture World says: "Of the few real screen comedy features that the exhibitor of America gets, "Excuse Me" will stand out as the one, so far, in which the original humor of the stage production has been transferred to the curtain. "Excuse Me" is just one laugh after another for five reels."

"Excuse Me" at the Grand tomorrow should pull the largest crowd that ever attended that theatre—and it probably will.

Black Face Comedy—Bijou.

Up to the present time, black face comedy in the pictures has been sadly neglected. So the Universal went and did another original thing, by producing a screaming two-reel L-Ko black face comedy, "Blue Blood and Black Skin," that eclipses anything you have ever seen of the kind. It is the funniest thing that has come out of the L-Ko stable in 12 months. The entire L-Ko company threw itself body and soul into the making of a coon town face breaker that will make the tribes of Ham, Shem and Japhet cachinnate from now until the reels so full of scratches that it looks like a desert sand storm.

"Blue Blood and Black Skin" take it direct from us, is an exceptionally funny film. It comes in only two reels, but, man alive, those two reels are so chock full of rip-snorting goodling laffs that Primrose and West and Lew Dockstader's tribe may as well pack up their scenery and vamoose to parts unknown. The colored picture critic reviewed it, and we publish what he said in any advertisement on this page. Don't miss it at the Bijou tomorrow.

A Treat for Lovers of Originality.

"Lund's Lone Star Girls", which comes to the Victoria Theatre all this week, is without doubt the best constructed musical comedy tabloid that has ever been seen in this section of the country.

Mr. Lund has assembled a company of a dozen or more of the brightest musical comedy people, every member of this great organization has at some time or other appeared in New York productions of merit and success, and who understand the value of "putting over" a number. The musical numbers in this classy gem were personally selected by Mr. Lund, who has had the experience of 25 years in musical comedy and high class vaudeville, which alen speaks highly of his wonderful show.

The girls, chorus girls, all of natural experience, are all young and pretty, one of the principal assets to a musical attraction, have been schooled in the metropolitan district and are first class dancers and vocalists. The costumes are gorgeous and attractive, having been designed by Mme. Le Fouchere, leading modiste of the Metropolitan theatre, and are a big feature of Mr. Lund's entertainment. The scenic equipment is all original, electrical and trick effects were elaborately constructed at a great expense. Among the latest song hits used in this attraction are "My Mother's Rosary," "Mother," "A Broken Heart for Every Light That Shines on Broadway," "Don't Bite the Hand That's Feeding You," and a number of other well known New York musical comedy successes. Mr. Lund has spared no expense in mounting his little playlet, and issues a defi, guaranteeing this novel musical treat to be the best ever given in Wilmington.

Mr. Lund has had a varied experience in the show world, has toured Europe at the head of musical comedy successes, having been a member of the late George Edwards big London company as leading comedian and with the huge London Hippodrome Company managed by Albert DeCourville, now the leading musical producer of England. Mr. Lund has also appeared in leading New York musical comedy success of note and is a very clever comedian, dancer and vocalist of class and ability. This attraction will be seen at the Victoria all this week with daily matinees and a treat is in store for lovers of this form of entertainment and is a show that will have songs and music that jingles like snow bells.

The Birth of a Nation.

David W. Griffith's most extraordinary achievement with his great spectacle, "The Birth of a Nation," which comes to the Academy of Music four days, starting Wednesday, March 29, is that of making history live. He has touched the high peaks of American history—slavery, the war secession, the surrender at Appomattox, the death of Lincoln, the miseries of reconstruction, and the reconciliation of the North and the South.

These things, it would have seemed a year ago, were beyond the scope of the motion picture camera. But the master producer has successfully combined, in 12,000 feet of celluloid, a thrilling, consecutive presentation of national greatness with a vital and human love story. According to experts who have viewed the work, Griffith has not only surpassed in many ways the art of the "indoor" theatre, but he has also developed a new art-form far superior to the old-fashioned history or historical novel. A very eminent public man has nicknamed it "history by lightning."

Eighteen thousand people were employed in taking the historical pictures. One sees Lincoln among his counsellors issuing the call for troops, the battles of the conflict, Sherman's march, Grant and Lee shaking hands at Appomattox, the shot that John Wilkes Booth fired, the South in the throes of change, the carpetbaggers' excesses, and the famous rides of the K. K. K. Parties of war veterans and sons of veterans are coming in great numbers to the Tremont. It is difficult for many of them to refrain from shouting the old war-cries or from shuffling the feet to the rhythm of the martial music. Scenes in the latter half of the picture are so skilfully managed, the interest is so tensely maintained, that often the applause is practically continuous for half to three-quarters of an hour.

"Cabiria" and "Quo Vadis" marked great steps forward in the screen drama. "The Birth of a Nation" points a still more wonderful development. The epic method of narration has been adopted. Enormous ranges of time and space are covered. All the arts contribute to the spectacular realization of poetry, history and romance. In the 5,000 scenes of the picture there are said to be 200,000 historical details. Besides the achievement of the picture itself, the exhibition of it employs 100 flesh and blood helpers at each performance.

Theatrical producers and observers are wondering what will be the next evolution. Will the motion picture replace the text book in the public schools? Will the Walter Scott's and the W. M. Thackerys of the future do pictures instead of novels? Will the historian be replaced by the camera man, and the still-life painter by one who, like Griffith, can turn out hundreds of Rembrandt, Corot and Turner-like scenes in an evening's entertainment?

Some of these queries seem daring now, even grotesque. Yet in view of what is happening around us, it is hard—nay, impossible—to set any limits to the future achievements of the motion pictures.

Coburn's Greater Minstrels.

A splendid number of the all new company of Coburn's Greater Minstrels this season, elaborately staged, has special scenery, electrical effects realistically costumed, and presenting the entire company, is "The Lost River in Jungle Land," featuring the novelty entertainers, Cameron and Toledo, introducing the comedians in burlesque of national characters, the whole produced and staged by Charlie Gano in his happiest vein of political satire and up to the minute subjects of interest. Opening with recrimination and political satire between Teddy Bare Boozeveldt and the Hon. Wilum Jinsling Biyan, on the Lost River and other leading topics of the present moment, the scene switches to the heart of an African jungle. Weird music, singing birds and jungle noises awake a monster dragon who appears and is shot by the mighty hunter. Chief Umbigigli and his Zulu warriors in war dress shields, appears, and acouterments appear, true to life. Princess Oola Boola, queen of the Zulus, in songs, dances, etc., accompanied by the warriors—comedy situations, recrimination between the political opponents and their satelites, providing the vehicles for the most ludicrous situations, culminating in a grand climax, chorus, and curtain on the most enjoyable number for the entire performance. This is not the ordinary "afterpiece and slap stick comedy number" of the average attraction, but introduces the best efforts of recognized performers of ability. Possesses merit, originality whirlwind fun and humor far superior to anything ever before attempted by this well known company. Don't forget the date, Wednesday, March 22, at the Academy of Music. The prices will be 25 cents, 50 cents, 75 cents and $1. Tickets will go on sale tomorrow morning at Plummer's.

MARGUERITE COURTOT,

The Beautiful Star in "The Dead Alive," Mutual Masterpicture at the Grand Wednesday.

HOBART HENLEY,

Leading Star With Jane Novak in the Great Universal Serial "Graft."

JOHN BARRYMORE,

Appearing in "Nearly a King," Great Paramount Feature at the Royal Thursday.

Wonderful Acrobatic Act With the Coburn Greater Minstrels at the Academy Wednesday, March 22.

COUNTY COMMENCEMENT HELD BY DUPLIN COLORED PEOPLE

About Two Thousand of Them at Warsaw—Address by Prof. Newbold.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Warsaw, N. C., March 18.—Duplin county commencement for the colored schools of the county was held in Warsaw Friday. It was very well attended, there being about 2,000 present.

The introductory exercises were by J. W. Newkirk, president of the association, followed by Supt. M. H. Wooten, who made a short address and introduced the speaker of the day, Prof. N. C. Newbold, of Raleigh, of the State Department of Education. Professor Newbold's subject, "Essentials of Education" was ably handled. He divided it into two heads, "Proper Qualifications of a Teacher," and "Better Buildings," stressing each.

Various scholarship contests followed, after which a recess was taken for the parade which was a feature of the day.

Recitation and declamation contests were in the afternoon, as was also a game of baseball between the Warsaw and Faison teams in which Warsaw was victorious.

The hand-work exhibit was unusually good, much skill having been used in the manufacture of useful articles, such as chairs, baskets, mats, etc. The needlework and canned goods also showed that the negroes are recognizing the advisability of giving vocational training to their school children.

REVIVALS IN WILSON

Services to Begin at Presbyterian Church This Morning.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Wilson, N. C., March 18.—Revival services begin at the Wilson Presbyterian church Sunday morning and the pastor, Rev. J. B. Massey, will have the assistance of Rev. D. K. Walthall, D. D., of Waynesboro, Va., who is to preach and Mr. H. F. Morton of Roanoke Rapids, who will have charge of the music. Revival services will begin at the Methodist, First Baptist, Christian and Second Baptist churches Sunday, March 26.

FINGER PRINT EXPERT IS WORKING ON TARBORO CASE

In Efforts to Identify Negro Found in Lady's Bedroom.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Tarboro, N. C., March 18.—Since the negro entered the home of Mrs. Lanier last Tuesday night the police have been on the alert in endeavoring to find the man. Two negroes have been apprehended and are in jail. One of them, James Norfleet, is a light complexioned person, while the other, Luke Robertson, is of a slightly darker hue. The former, it is reported, Miss Lanier says is not the man, but that the latter is the man, while Miss Brooks, in whose room the man was found, it is said, says that the former resembles the intruder, but that she is not positive.

A finger print expert has been called here from Washington City. The local photographer could not make the pictures, as his instrument would not bring out the lines distinctly enough, so the expert has returned to Washington to have the pictures made, and will have them here Monday, when a preliminary trial will be held.

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Dr. D. D. Wallace, Professor of History, Wofford College, Spartanburg, S. C., Says: "It is something that no American—certainly no Southern man or woman—can afford not to see. I took the whole family except the baby, and if it comes along when she's big enough I'll take her, too."

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STRAWBERRY GROWERS MEET AT CHADBOURN

Will Market Crop Through State Marketing Division.

Elect Mr. Joe Davis, of St. Pauls, Field Inspector—Every Crate to Bear Name of Organization and Grade.

(Special Star Telegram.)

Chadbourn, N. C., March 18.—The regular monthly meeting of the Chadbourn Fruit & Produce Exchange was held this afternoon. This organization is composed principally of strawberry growers. It has as its main objects, so far as strawberries are concerned, to see that only first class berries are shipped, to find markets and properly distribute shipments to these markets.

Mr. Joe Davis, of Saint Paul, N. C., has been appointed field inspector. He will inspect the crops and give instructions concerning grading. Every crate leaving the field will be stamped with the name of the organization, the name of the grower and the grade of berries. All consignments will be made to Mr. C. E. Haskett, of the State market department, who will supply the dealers.

The acreage seems to be just a little larger than formerly but there are many young plants. There is little probability that any berries will go on the market here before the last of April, or possibly the first of May.

The Fayetteville Observer of Saturday afternoon had this:

"The Cumberland Produce Exchange was organized this morning at the court house. Mr. D. K. Taylor was elected president, Mr. J. H. McIlwinnen, Jr., secretary, and Mr. C. L. Bennett, treasurer.

"They will meet next Tuesday evening, the 21st inst., at McPherson school house to adopt by-laws and elect directors. Everyone interested in trucking is invited to attend."

ENVER PASHA ALIVE

Turkish Minister Returns After Making an Inspection Trip.

Berlin, (via Wireless), March 18.—Advices from Constantinople say that Enver Pasha, Turkish minister of war, who has returned to that city after a journey of inspection through Syria, Palestine and Arabia, as far as Medina, expressed himself as well satisfied with the results of his trip. He was received enthusiastically everywhere.

The foregoing apparently disposes of the recent rumors that Enver Pasha had been assassinated and that a new minister of war had been appointed.

See Danny Lund.

The funniest German comedian on the stage, at the Victoria all this week. (Advertisement).

FORMER MERCHANT OF CLINTON FOUND DEAD

Evidence is That Henry Southerland Committed Suicide.

Had Been in Bad Condition for Some time and Brooded Over Failure in Business Three Years Ago. Coroner's Jury's Verdict.

(Special Star Telegram.)

Clinton, N. C., March 18.—Henry S. Southerland, aged 28, formerly a merchant here, was found dead last night about 10 o'clock in a barn at the home of his father, R. B. Southerland, on South Main street. A 22-calibre repeating rifle lay by his side and there was a bullet hole in the right side of his head just above the ear. It was apparently a case of self destruction and death must have followed the shot instantly.

Having failed in business some three years ago, since which time he has been rather a heavy drinker, his nervous system gave way and he has been a patient at the State Hospital at Raleigh for time to time. For some months past he has been at home living with his parents. Recently he has seemed to brood over his troubles.

Dr. B. F. Butler, county coroner, was summoned as soon as the body was discovered and empanelled a jury which found from the evidence that the young man had come to his death by his own hand.

It was shown that he made the statement a few days ago that he intended taking his own life, but it was not believed then that he was speaking seriously. When not under the influence of drink, Henry Southerland, as he was best known, was a fine fellow, gentle and courteous in his bearing, and liked by every one who knew him.

Funeral services were conducted at the home this afternoon and the interment was in Clinton cemetery.

"PERSHING ON TH EBORDER"

Kinston Man Misreads Statement to Mean "They Are Starving."

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Kinston, N. C., March 18.—In a public office here Friday a lounger commented on the ill luck that had befallen G. Edgar Johnson, of Kinston, a former National Guard color sergeant now with the army in Mexico. He read from a copy of a local paper. "What's happened to him?" was the query from a dozen persons immediately interested. "Why's he's getting nothing to eat—they're starving," he said with sadness. He must be mistaken said the office boss, the clerk, the stenographer and his fellow loungers. To be sure they were getting fed. He had misread Pershing's name—"they are perishing, it says here." He had never heard of General Pershing before and noted not the cap P nor the difference of a letter.

LAST OF ALLEN CLAN IS KILLED IN QUARREL

Jasper Allen Shot Through the Brain by Will McGraw.

Resented Statement Made by McGraw That Wesley Edwards "Does Not Have the Nerve People Give Him Credit For."

Roanoke, Va., March 18.—Jasper Allen, 50 years old, of Carroll county, Virginia, last of the Allen clan which became prominent four years ago, when they killed Judge Thornton H. Massie, several jurors and court officers at Hillsville, Va., was shot and killed early this morning by Will McGraw, alleged moonshiner and reputed "bad man," according to information received here today from Mount Airy, N. C. The shooting occurred at a road house in Carroll county, near the Virginia-North Carolina line where the two men had secured lodging for the night.

Allen, it is said, resented a statement made by McGraw, that Wesley Edwards, one of the clan who is now serving a 27-year term in the Virginia penitentiary, "does not have the nerve people give him credit for."

A fist fight ensued, the men clinched, two shots were fired in rapid succession, and Allen fell with a bullet through the brain.

The dead man was the father of Friel Allen, serving 15 years in the Virginia penitentiary for participation in the Hillsville tragedy, and brother of Floyd Allen, who died in the electric chair two years ago in expiation of his part in the court house shooting.

Jasper Allen was famed in the mountains for his fearlessness, and was said to be the "brains" of the Allen clan.

McGraw fled to the mountains, where, it is believed, he is in hiding. He is wanted by Federal authorities for violations of the revenue laws.

At an inquest late this afternoon, Allen's death was attributed to "a pistol wound inflicted by Will McGraw."

The body of the dead clansman was taken to the old Allen home in the mountains and will be buried Monday beside the bodies of Floyd and Claude Allen.

McGraw will give himself up to the authorities and make a plea of self-defense, according to a report reaching Mt. Airy early tonight.

The revolver team of San Francisco, Pittsburgh and Spokane are tied for first place in the annual inter-city tournament of the United States Aevolver Association and a special shoot-off series may be necessary to decide the winner of first place prize.

Funny!

The three greatest comedians ever in Wilmington, Victoria this week. (Advertisement).

MAKING CHANGES IN RURAL MAIL SERVICE

Mr. Burleson Said to Have Stirred Up a "Hornets' Nest."

Two Additional Clerks Secured for Greensboro Postoffice—Protest From Small's District—Man Recommended.

(Special Star Telegram.)

Washington, D. C., March 18.—The request of Postmaster Wayland Cooke for two additional postal clerks for the Greensboro office was granted today by Postmaster General Burleson. The order was made because Mr. Cooke was able to show that the business of the Greensboro office has increased greatly and that the present force was inadequate.

Postmaster General Burleson has against stirred up a hornet's nest by reducing the rural delivery service throughout the country. A recent order discontinuing the routes from Bonnerton and South Creek in Representative Small's district has caused the patrons of that office to make a most vigorous protest to Congressman Small. Mr. Small has asked for an audience with Mr. Burleson for Thursday morning, when he will endeavor to have the service restored.

The order affecting Bonnerton and South Creek provides that hereafter mail for these routes will be served on a route from Edwards. This, in the opinion of the patrons of the offices, is equivalent to no mail service at all. The order is in the interest of "economy."

The policy of Burleson in discontinuing rural routes under the guise of making them more efficient started two years ago. His first efforts were directed at Republican states. He has run out of Republican territory and is now forced to cripple the mail service in the South Democratic territory.

Burleson's policy is to consolidate several routes with one and force patrons of these routes to be put to a great deal of inconvenience in order that they may get their mail. In many instances daily routes are being abolished and a tri-weekly service substituted.

The policy, like all other policies of Burleson, have proven unpopular to real Democrats. More than one North Carolina congressman has been caused trouble by Burleson's small policies in the Postoffice department.

Several changes in routes, for instance, are announced in today's press notices from the department. It probably means that in order to save $13 during the next 12 months that the patrons of these routes will suffer great inconveniences. The changes follow.

Route, No. 1 is transferred from Knightdale, Wake county, to Wendell, and designated as route No. 2. Route No. 1, from Wakefield is transferred to Zebulon, Wake county, and designated as route No. 3. These orders are effective April 1.

Representative Godwin has recommended E. Gorham Grady, of Fayetteville, for appointment as assistant National bank examiner. P. R. A.

CAPE FEAR FAIR ADMITTED TO THE CAROLINA CIRCUIT

Means There Will Be no Conflict of Dates Hereafter.

Fayetteville, N. C., March 18.—The Cape Fear Fair has been admitted to the North Carolina Circuit of Fairs. The Observer this afternoon makes this announcement and says:

At a recent meeting of the secretaries of the circuit Fayetteville was taken in with the proviso that Charlotte changes its date to November 7 to 10. Mr. R. M. Jackson, secretary of the Cape Fear Fair, received a letter today from Mr. Edgar Moore, secretary of the Charlotte fair, announcing that Charlotte's dates have been fixed at November 7 to 10. This makes the Cape Fear Fair a member of the North Carolina circuit of fairs and gives the added advantage of placing the fair on dates which do not conflict with any other fair.

The dates for the different fairs are as follows:

Rocky Mount, September 19 to 22.
Salisbury, September 26 to 29.
Winston-Salem, October 3 to 6.
Greensboro, October 10 to 13.
Raleigh, October 16 to 20.
Fayetteville, October 24 to 27.
Spartanburg, October 31 to November 3.
Charlotte, November 7 to 10.

DRIVING THEM HOME

Freight Car Shortage Has No Terrors for Nearby Auto Dealers.

The extraordinary winter demand for automobiles when considered with the wide spread freight car shortage has brought about a condition without precedent in the abtomobile industry. It is no novel thing for dealers, located near an automobile factory, to have cars delivered to them at the factory in good weather and to drive them home over the roads.

It is decidedly novel however to see more than a hundred dealers and their employees, some coming from points 200 miles distant in the midst of a terrific snowstorm, driving home over roads well nigh impassable in places, to get cars to deliver to waiting customers who are unwilling to take chances on demoralized freight deliveries.

This was the condition at the big Willys Overland plant last Monday when 132 cars were delivered to dealers coming from all parts of Ohio, Michigan and Indiana.

The demand for cars, particularly the new light popular priced Model 75, has opened up an unusual volume of early buying. This, combined with a freight car shortage, the most serious ever experienced by the industry, has created a condition that has required every ingenuity to meet.

Many carloads have been shipped in gondola and flat cars protected by tarpaulins. A train load of more than 100 Overlands were shipped to Boston last week, requiring a special guard of three men in addition to the regular train crew to see that they were undisturbed during the journey.

Overland dealers at distant points, while envious of those located close enough to take factory deliveries, are quite alive to the fact that the factory is doing everything possible to supply them adequately.

More than 800 cars a day are now being produced by The Willys-Overland Company and even this huge quantity seems inadequate for the demand.

FAYETTEVILLE PRESBYTERIAL TO MEET IN DUNN APRIL 25.

Dunn, N. C., March 18.—Presbyterial of Fayetteville district will meet with the church here April 25 and 26. The district is composed of eleven counties and about 115 churches. Each church is entitled to a delegate, hence the delegation will reach about 125. The last meeting was held in Sanford last April. This is the 27th annual meeting.

Mrs. J. M. McIver, of Gulf, is president and Mrs. C. C. McAllister, of Fayetteville, is secretary. Dunn will open her doors for the reception of the visitors as usual.

The Fayetteville Methodist District Conference was also set for April 25, but arrangements will be made to hold the conference after the meeting of the ladies' Presbyterial.

Dr. Delia-Dixon Carroll, of Raleigh, delivered an address to the Woman's Club in the Opera House yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock, to ladies only, on civic affairs and town betterment. At 8:30 last night she delivered a public address. She appears well on the stage and is a fluent speaker.

On Wednesday night at 10:30 at the home of the bride's mother, Miss Mertis Pittman was united in marriage to Mr. Claud Gardener. Miss Pittman is the popular daughter of Mrs. A. M. Pittman and has a great many friends. Mr. Gardener has been in the mercantile business here for the past two years, but has sold out and will open at Mt. Olive, where the couple will make their home. Rev. J. A. Hornaday performed the ceremony. They left on the midnight train for a short bridal tour.

Mr. I. W. Medlin, of Smithfield, secretary of the North Carolina Epworth League, gave an illustrated lecture at the Methodist church Tuesday night. It was largely attended and very instructive.

Joe Rolley.

With Fields' Minstrels five years, Victoria all this week. (Advertisement).

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THE "CULLUD" CRITIC SAYS

"Neighbor, wotch out for dat Blacktown Melange. It's a Wampus of the First Water. Its Scenes are Laid in the Back Alleys of Our Town, and in the Cullud Gemmens' Tonsorial Parlor. And how dem razzers do swish back and forth. Lahd! Lahd! But dem dere komical L-Ko kusses just do raise ole Hickory. Dey jus' perambulate aroun' a-makin' love and kissin' the black babies, and when dat swell coon fum de No'th comes breezin' in—well, Elias chasin' the bloodhounds is mild, man, mild! Ah ain't nevver seen no such thing afore in the movin' pictures. I just laffed muy curley head clean off watchin' 'em sparkin' and cuttin' each other up just 's if dey was a-enhvin' watermelon."

BIJOU TOMORROW With Other Big Features

WITH THE CLUB WOMEN

Federation News of North Carolina.

By Mrs. E. R. Michaux.

Plans for the State Convention, which meets in High Point May 3-6, are fast nearing completion.

Mrs. Henry White, Chairman of the program committee, will have the program ready for publication within a short time.

Mrs. J. J. Farriss, President of the hostess club, with her splendidly organized committee, will have the cooperation of the various organizations of High Point in helping to make the fourteenth Convention of singular success from every standpoint. Every want of the guests will be anticipated and delightful entertainment provided.

Mrs. Pennybacker Our Guest.

Mrs. Percy V. Pennybacker, President of the General Federation of Women's Clubs, will be the guest of honor at our State Convention.

This announcement will be read with keen delight by club women all over the State. By her personal magnetism, gracious manner, and practical suggestions, this rarely gifted women endeared herself to all those who were privileged to attend the Fayetteville Convention in 1914.

She is a trained woman orator, with a message to give, and every one within reach of High Point should hear her address on Thursday evening.

The Biennial.

During a recent visit in New York, Miss Gertrude Weil had a conference with Mrs. MacLean, Chairman of The Hotel Committee, which resulted in securing headquarters for the North Carolina delegation at the Great Northern Hotel, 6th Ave. and 57th Street, much more convenient to Seventh Armory than the former headquarters.

Delegates are urged to reserve rooms by name as soon as possible.

Those expecting to attend either of the special luncheons or dinners are also asked to procure tickets at once. Much interest is being manifested in the Home Economics Dinner on Thursday evening, May 25th, over which Miss Helen Johnson, Chairman of this department will preside.

The Public Health Dinner, presided over by Mrs. Emma Blair, will be held on Tuesday evening, the 30th.

The following luncheons have been arranged:

Art, with Mrs. M. F. Johnston presiding, on May 26th.

Conservation, presided over by Mrs. J. D. Sherman on Saturday, the 27th, and Literature, at which Mrs. Thomas G. Winter will preside, on May 29th. Well known experts will be heard at all of these.

Pioneer Worker's Dinner.

A beautiful invitation has been received by our State President to the "Pioneer Worker's Dinner," to be given by Mrs. William Helmuth, at Hotel Astor, on the evening of May 27th.

At the meeting of the Pioneer Workers, held during the Chicago Biennial, Mrs. Helmuth was made president of the organization for life. She was also elected an honorary vice-president of the G. F. W. C. This will be the fourth dinner given to the Pioneer Workers and State Presidents at Biennials.

Mrs. Rielley for First Vice-President.

The Executive Board of the N. C. F. W. C. has sent cards to all State Federations announcing the name of Mrs. Eugene Rielley as a candidate for Vice-President of the General Federation. Indorsements are coming in from many states. Mrs. Rielley, who has served the General Federation as Director for two years, and as corresponding secretary for four years, has many friends in all parts of the country who will do all in their power to elect her first vice-president.

A Promising New Club.

As the members of the Civic Club of Salisbury began to see the fruits of their labors in the community they saw the necessity of a broader basis for work; hence by re-organization and re-adjustment they have formed a Woman's Club, with the following departments: Civic, Social Service, Home Economics, Literature and Parliamentary Law. Mrs. J. B. Moore, president of the Civic Club, will direct the Activities of the new club.

The 11th District meeting will be held in Salisbury on April 7th, with the Woman's Club as hostess. Mrs. Lingle has been invited to speak on this occasion.

Children's Matinee.

The Club Women of High Point are making an effort to get the Moving Picture Houses to agree to set apart one day in each week, at which time pictures of an uplifting and educational character, suitable for children, will be shown. Such an arrangement has recently been made in Charlotte, Asheville and Greensboro.

Raleigh's New Club House.

The members of the Woman' Club are expecting to have their new club House completed by the first of May. This building, erected at a cost of $25,000, in arrangement and equipment will be ideal for its purposes and as ornament to Hillsboro Street.

At a recent meeting of the Club the following delegates to the State Convention were elected: Mesdames J. R. Chamberlain, M. Rosenthal, Palmer Jerman, G. W. Lay and A. B. Bauman, Alternates: Mesdames J. E. O'Donnell, T. B. Womack, Rufus Hunter, Clarence Shore and Miss Daisy Denson.

Greensboro Items.

Extensive plans are being made by the Woman's Club for Greensboro, April 8th-12th.

On Saturday afternoon there will be a baby parade; to be arranged by the Girls Benevolent Club. Sunday each Minister will be asked to present some phase of the subject at the Church service. On the following days talks will be made by prominent physicians and nurses at the County Court House—the gallery being reserved for the colored people.

A booth with an exhibit of everything relating to the care of the baby will be one of the special attractions.

In the interest of Parent-Teacher Associations addresses were given on Friday evening, March 10th, at a public meeting, by Mrs. David Mears of Albany, N. Y., Vice President of the National Mother's Congress, Miss Lucy Wheelock, Boston, founder of the Kindergarden School of that City, and Mrs. W. N. Hutt, of Raleigh.

It was decided to form a local branch of the organiaztion, with a view to arousing more interest in educational matters, and to secure closer co-operation between teachers and parents in this community.

Mrs. E. Sternberger, President of the Woman's Club, gave a beautiful luncheon in honor of these distinguished ladies, having as guests the Executive Board and other prominent Club Women of the City.

The Woman's Club will be represented at the Biennial by Mesdames E. Sternberger, and Al Fairbrother.

Switzerland is planning to electrify all its railroads.

MOSTLY CONTEMPLATIVE

By T. W. Chambliss.

These are days when the world's mind is occupied with soldiers and their doings. There is talk of ships, and guns and men. There is discussion of ammunition, and money and efficiency. Soldiers have been shooting at targets through passing years. They have been passing through a period of training. Their worth to their country is measured more by their efficiency than by their patriotism.

Soldiers are not the only men who fire at targets. Consciously or unconsciously, you and I are doing the same thing. We have not the same targets but we have targets. Our ideals—and where is the man without an ideal—these are our targets. It is true that there are some men in the world without ideals—pitiable fellows—but every true man has a goal before him—high and alluring. Whether in the social, intellectual, commercial or religious world—there is the ideal.

In the Old Testament, there is a striking illustration of practical archery—the story of the hero of the target. Jehu, a man of Isreal. Jehu's target was a King's heart and the tragic incident is worth reading. The story tells of a brilliant feat of arms. Jehu was battling against Jehoram. Those were days of personal combat. Jehu carries a bow and he drew it with all his strength and the arrow flies straight to the target — the King's heart. In the scripture story there is a little word—Jehu drew a bow with his full strength. Did you catch the word?

Giving a bit of attention to Jehu, you will notice that three things had to do with the effective effort. There is Jehu with his individuality. Then Jehu is marked for the pnysical energy. Finally Jehu had a definite aim and the third of these is the outstanding feature of the story. The same conditions have largely to do with every man's success. What matters it in which sphere of action we enter—there is necessary individuality, physical energy, definite aim. The ideal is essential. With it there must be the other qualifications.

Jehu suggests his individuality by the use of the bow. He knew the bow. It was his weapon. With its use he was most familiar. He could trust it. He depends on it in the moment of supreme need. He faces his opportunity and there is no time to trust to other methods of warfare. Jehu does not find fault with swords and spears—they are worth while and with proven armor, many valiant soldiers have won success but facing his opponent, his sturdy bow and properly balanced arrow feel the call of their master. Before him is the throne of Israel. All may depend and likely did depend on one arrow's flight. Therefore, Jehu, congizant of his individual ability with bow, selects it as the weapon of the moment. Every man should follow the suggestion. Methods that win success with another man behind them may spell failure in your fingers. Learn your own power—use the methods that fit best your own qualification. Be individual. Your self in every action.

Jehu has many admirers who turn to him because of his title. Titles do provoke admiration. It was so among the ancients but hardly more than today. There is something uncannyly attractive about a title. The "King" comes—and the simple announcement of his coming—means the attention and the interest and the admiration of the multitude. The very scramble after "titles" is evidence of the idea. There are others who admire Jehu for another reason. He was a manly man. His athletic reputation was doubtless looked upon with disdain by some but others recognized it as expressive of a man worth while. Hosts of people look upon the man of manly strength with far more admiration that is bestowed merely upon the empty title. It is true that some people do not consider that a man must be a noble man in order to be a nobleman—but how can one be a nobleman in truth with out first being a man—manly and noble? Jehu had splendid physical energy and he put this energy into use and behind the arrow as he draws back the bow with full strength. There is the little word of such significance—full. Often, far too often, the strength devoted to one's purpose is not the full strength—and therein lies the secret of failure or success—to succeed put into one's effort all of one's physical energy. Save strength and lose your ideal. Economize in effort and miss the target.

Jehu hit the target—it was a center shot. Not because he was a man with a kingly personality, a manly man physically, but because of the fact that he had a definite aim—with his full strength he drew the bow and with arrow point directly fixed upon the target, steady eye and calm nerve, sturdy muscle—all with one purpose—the target. Who fires in the air? Too many of us. Definite aim—the ideal ever intense—possessing us—then with individuality and energy comes the desire—the goal.

Noah—the hero of the flood—had a vision of rising waters and resting upon them an ark—builded with his own expressed energy. Neighbors laughed at him and companions continually sneered but Noah staid at the job of fitting boards and calking seams. He had an ideal—a definite aim—he would ride the waves of the world's greatest storm. Then the hour came any everything was ready for the voyage. It was in New Orleans, and the slave auction was on, a family was being sold here and there. One of the bystanders watched the scene and strange stirrings of his heart moved him to exclaim, "If ever I get a chance to hit the institution of slavery—I'll hit it hard." He did not forget the picture of that slave block—the time came and with his full strength he drew back the bow and the arrow flew directly to the heart of the matter and America—our own America was freed from the traffic. He hit it hard and now—a generation after, we can say—we are glad Lincoln is a hero now — a hero who had an ideal.

Paul—magnificently equipped master of Jewish truth—born of the purple—born again on the Damascus road caught a vision. He had an ideal. "This one thing I do" said Paul. One thing—singleness of aim, gathering of thought, soul, feeling, heart, life into one intense, absorbing passion. This was his Master's purpose. Paul was a specialist and his specialty was the Cross of Christ. Like Jehu, Paul strikes center because he has a definite aim.

Chicago and Albany lead in the average number of people per telephone, with 6.1 for each phone.

30,000 YOUNG MEN TO GET TRAINING IN ARMS

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entire camp for beginners or former members of camps, respectively) besides whatever the cost of railroad transportation may be. Camp equipment and everything else is supplied free of charge. There is a chance that some legislative provision may be made to meet these expenses, although none has yet been made.

Arrangements have already been completed to hold this year at Fort Oglethorpe, Ga., opening April 3; at Plattsburgh, N. Y., beginning June 5; also at San Antonio, Texas; Salt Lake City, Utah; American Lake, Washington, and Monterey, Cal. Camps will also be held in the Middle West and the dates and places will be announced shortly.

Enrollments are now being received in large numbers at the headquarters of the Military Training Camps Association of the United States, at 31 Nassau street, New York City. D. K. Jay, executive secretary in charge of all arrangements, is securing the names of all prospective members of the camps. He has announced that he will send full instructions to any man who desires to enroll.

HOKE COUNTY HAS MAN TO SUCCEED R. N. PAGE

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decide to become a candidate. For representative, one at least prominently mentioned is D. P. McLeod, one of Red Spring's "God Blessed Macs," a successful farmer and business man who would do honor to himself and his county.

Messrs. J. A. McPhail and J. A. Hodgin, of Antioch, were two prominent visitors in Red Springs this week. Mr. McPhail is chairman of the Hoke county board of county commissioners, while Mr. Hodgin is chairman of the county board of education. Both are men of large affairs and great influence. They express themselves as being thoroughly in line with President Wilson and enthusiastic for Hon. J. W. Johnson as the next congressman from the Seventh district. Mr. McPhail is a director of the Carolina Bank & Trust Company and Mr. Hodgin of the Bank of Red Springs, both Red Springs institutions, and they both have large holdings at Red Springs as well as at Antioch.

Rev. Sam Small, the well known prohibition lecturer, spoke to a crowded house here Thursday night. Mr. Small is a lecturer of national reputation and his address was well received in Red Springs.

Your correspondent believes Lewis and Floyd will have the old countryman's proverbial "Otter slide." A countryman being asked, after the election, as to the relative strength of his township for Democrats and Republicans, exclaimed, "Yes, sir, the Democrats had a regular otter slide." This will, the writer predicts, be the good luck of Lewis and Floyd, and while this is an off year with Clerk C. B. Skipper, the writer is confident that no one can beat him. Your correspondent saw a letter recently from an exjudge, who, speaking of Skipper's promptness, said, "I wish I lived in Robeson so I could vote for Skipper for clerk. He is the best I ever saw." And to all this the voters of Robeson say "Amen."

All the congressional candidates except the man on the job seem to have forgotten that this section of the Sixth is on the may or commands any votes either. Messrs. Nimocks and Brown have given Red Springs some "pop calls," but the other boys have passed by, for what reason is not known. Guess they know. Possibly they will call later.

Daughtridge and Bickett, Grimes and Hartness, Lacy and Mann have their friends in this section. Some see no reason for a change, while others think the offices should be rotated and not given to the same persons for too long. The writer looks for interesting times before the campaign of 1916 is over, because leaders of the candidacy of all parties are strong and determined.

FRED BROWN.

TRINITY TO CELEBRATE THE SHAKESPEARE TERCENTENARY

Elaborate Preparations Being Made —Student Makes Discovery.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Trinity College, Durham, March 18.—Preparations are being made here for a rather elaborate celebration of the tercentenary of the death of Shakespeare. The Coburn Players, a company which presents the plays of Shakespare almost entirely, are to come about May 1. The three plays to be given will in all probability be "Hamlet," "King Richard III," and "The Tempest." The Coburn Players have been here many times in the past, and a woodland stage has been built for the outdoor presentation of the plays.

Another feature of the celebration will be held by the Fortnightly Club chapter of the Sigma Upsilon literary fraternity. On this occasion President William P. Few will lecture on some topic relative to Shakespeare, and Dr. T. S. Graves, of the department of English, will probably read a paper on the Elizabethan stage, or Professor A. M. Webb, of the department of Romance languages, will probably read a paper on Cervantes, who died in the same year as Shakespeare. An elaborate program of Shakespearean music is also being planned for this occasion.

Bert Cunningham, a graduate student in the department of biology here and an instructor in this subject at Durham High School, has just made the discovery of the cross- conjugation or bisexuality of spirogyra, a well-known pond scum. A few botanists have observed this cross-conjugation in the past, but there have been so few observations heretofore that they have been regarded as abnormalities. Mr. Cunningham, however, has made a sufficiently large number of observations to prove beyond all doubt that this condition is normal for at least one species of the plant.

This is the second piece of original work in the scientific world ever done here, the other having been done by H. F. Taylor, of the class of 1913, who is now connected with the Bureau of Fisheries in Washington.

Dr. W. S. Rankin, of Raleigh, secretary to the State Board of Health, yesterday morning spoke to the men of the College on the subject of "Personal Morality," and last night delivered a special lecture under the auspices of the Campus Club, an organization of the wives of the members of the faculty, on "Some General Health Problems."

Eko-L, the local scholarship sorority, at its regular spring initiation, added the following new members: Misses Florence Holton, of the Senior Class, and Adelaide Lyons, Blanche Mann, and Lucille Womble, of the Junior Class.

A great deal of interest is being shown this year in contests for the two principal medals offered, the Wiley Gray Orators' Medal and the Braxton Craven Essay Medal. Sixteen Seniors have already submitted subjects for orations with which to compete for the Wiley Gray medal, and a large number of students are preparing essays in competition for the Braxton Craven medal.

W. C. Jenkins, of the Sophomore Class, has accepted a position with the British-American Tobacco Company and will be stationed at Shanghai, China. He will leave on April 16 for San Francisco, where on the 22nd he will board the Soiny Maru.

BANKHEAD E PLAINS GOOD ROADS MEASURE

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for traffic, but will, like the example of good management and skilled methods already cited, have a most beneficial influence upon the lesser units of government in demonstrating the advantages of durable construction."

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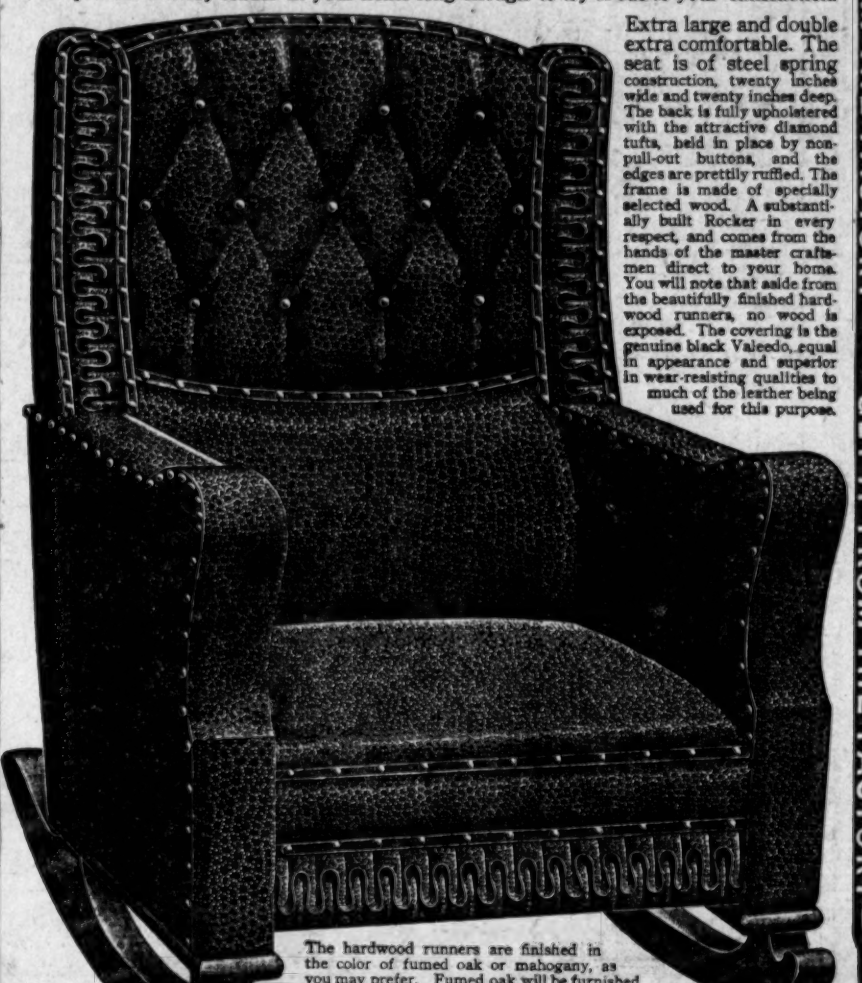

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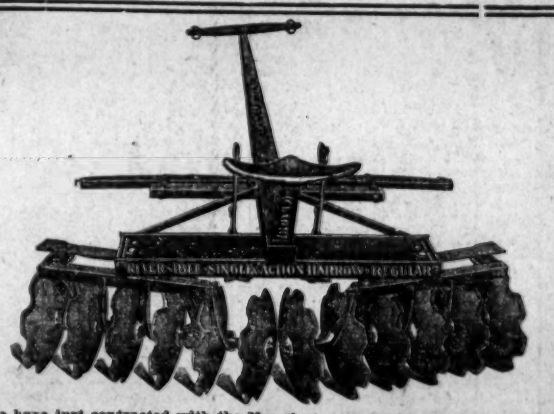

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HIRAM AND CYNTHIA

HIRAM IS SOMETIMES A LITTLE AWKWARD

By Alfred Jackson

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LET'S BUY ONE O'THEM EASELS, CYNTHY; IT'D LOOK GREAT IN TH' SITTIN'-ROOM T'HUM
I'LL CARRY IT MYSELF TER THE HOTEL. THE WEIGHT AIN'T NOTHIN'
OH, BE CAREFUL, HIRAM! YOU'VE JABBED THAT MAN!
I'LL PUT IT OVER MY SHOULDER; IT'LL BE SAFER—
OUCH!
COULDN'T YER LOOK WHERE YER WAS GOIN'?
SA-C-C-RE! YOU HAF MY NOSE BROKE!
WHAT!! ANOTHER OF 'EM?
I AIN'T GOIN' TER STAND ARGUIN' HERE ALL DAY! COME ON, CYNTHY!
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IT'S A SAD STORY MATES

No. 82

by F. R. PAUL

I DON'T WANT TO BRAG ABOUT MY STRENGH MISS PECAN, BUT ONE THING IS SURE, I CAN LICK ANY RUFFIAN PUGILIST THAT EVER ENTERED THE RING!!
YOU DON'T SAY!!

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I'LL TAKE THAT 100 DOLLARS!
GEE, I WANT TO SEE THIS
CHESTY IS THERE WITH THE PUNCH!
I'LL WAIT FOR YOU OUTSIDE MR. DE NUT!

DIPPY DUK
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by FREUND-WAGENER
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WHAT WERE YOU LOOKING AT IN THE OTHER ROOM?
MY FATHERS SWORD.
EVERY-TIME I SEE GRAND FATHERS SWORD I LONG TO TAKE PART IN A UNIVERSAL WAR.
WONDERFULL SPIRIT, WONDERFULL!!
BUT----
EVERYTIME I SEE GRAND-FATHER'S WOODEN LEG, I LONG FOR THE ADVENT OF UNIVERSAL PEACE.
OH!!

EXECUTIVE CLEMENCY OPPOSED BY JUNIORS

Winston Council Writes Governor in Woman's Case

Mrs. Warren and Christy to Have Hearing Tomorrow—Albemarle Man Seeks Pardon—New Corporations Are Chartered.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Raleigh, N. C., March 18.—Insistence that Mrs. Ida Ball Warren and Samuel P. Christy be not saved from the electric chair by executive clemency as the murderers of the woman's husband, G. J. Warren, was implied in a letter received by Governor Craig today from Centerville Council, No. 20, Junior Order United American Mechanics, Winston-Salem. The letter read:

"We are not asking for vengeance for the cold blooded and brutal crime charged against them in the murder of our comrade, but, as a body, we have confidence in the courts of the State and the Nation and our safety as a people depends on them. As a body we have confidence in our Governor and look to him for an example."

The letter is signed by Lee Brown as councilor and D. C. Butner as secretary. Governor Craig is to hear argument for and against executive clemency for both prisoners Monday.

A charter was issued today for the Mount Olive Garage & Machine Works, of Mount Olive, capital $10,000 authorized and $2,100 subscribed by H. H. Brown, W. T. Bell and others.

Another charter is for the M. M. Carpenter Co., of Iron Station, Lincoln county, capital $50,000 authorized and $15,000 subscribed by M. M. Carpenter and Waverly Rudisill for a general mercantile business.

Governor Craig gave a special hearing to R. L. Smith, of Albemarle, Stanly county, as counsel, seeking a pardon for Walter L. Kenley, of Stanly county, who is serving a sentence for violating the prohibition laws. There have been vigorous protests filed against executive clemency.

WHY CARS WILL BE HIGHER.

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ary, will have to look ahead farther than that, because in most cases, they are simply getting nicely started on the new models by the first of the year.

For regular customers, the general advances in materials mean at the present time an increased cost of about 20 per cent. on every car turned out, all other manufacturing cost factors remaining the same. This takes into account all materials with which the car is concerned. It figures in the aluminum, copper, tubing, wiring, etc., etc.

To give a few specific instances of what this material shortage—it can be called that—means, it might be said that the hot-rolled steel makers have increased their prices 75 per cent. with the year. This takes in all sorts of bar stock, which is a very important part of the car man's needs. Normally, such material can be bought for $1.10 per hundred pounds, but at present it is quoted at $1.90 and delivery is far in the future.

But it is manufactured steel that is especially telling upon the industry. This is the stock that is rerolled and made into frames, and countless other parts. Small strips of this kind have advanced from $2.40 per hundred to $3.50 and $4.00, and frame strips have gone up almost $1.00 a hundred.

One prominent manufacturer with an output of some 15,000 cars yearly figured it out for the writer that the frame alone used in his car costs $4.00 more than it did last year, and this advance is proportionate throughout.

Effect on Parts Makers.

What has been said regarding car makers applies with equal force to the manufacturers of component parts for cars. Needless to say, they cannot take contracts with a certainty of delivery at any specified time, nor will they take any new business without raising the price to meet the new conditions, and perhaps even discount further advances to a large extent.

The parts people are especially hard hit in cases where they have long time contracts to meet which were taken at prices based upon material costs far below present prices. Unless they were able to contract for what materials they needed, at prices in proportion to what they are getting for their products, they are simply taking the loss out of the expected profit. In many instances the parts concerns under contract have been to the manufacturers with the matter, but the car maker's answer is that he is in the same boat, and naturally looks to the parts man for what he has planned.

This condition was well illustrated by a carburetor maker of Detroit. He buys $12,000 worth of brass casting monthly and the cost has risen from 20 to 27 cents a pound, with an expected advance to 35 cents. He further uses $2,000 worth of brass rod each month, and on that the price has gone from 13 cents normally to 35 cents. Besides this, deliveries cannot be secured within 4 to 5 months, whereas in the past he has been accustomed to get what he wanted within 2 to 3 weeks.

"But I cannot go to the car maker and ask for more money," he explained, "because the car maker with whom I have a contract will laugh at me and say he is in the same boat himself."

As a result, this carburetor producer is like all others — he is trying to reduce the weight of his instruments by redesigning and shaving here and there without impairing the design. Necessity is dictating great things in the carburetor field, as in most others, for in another great carburetor plant in Detroit they are daily turning out 500 carburetors made of malleable iron, instead of brass, because the former is a cheaper material and seems to work equally as well. Some of the makers are even striving to so build their carburetors that some parts can be made of pressed steel, thus reducing the cost.

Position of the Industry.

So it goes down through the industry. You will see axle makers scratching their heads over problems of weight reduction; see them substituting certain constructions for others where they can save in material cost without hurting quality; you will see this thought uppermost in the minds of a great many engineers.

You will hear the people say that the industry should assert itself with the iron and steel makers, the aluminum producers and the rest. The industry takes such a large proportion of these products, they say, that it should be able to demand deliveries when it wants them; in a word, it should by its united strength be able to bring the materials people down on their knees and bring about reasonable service.

Nothing could be made absurd. The combined tonnage of iron and steel used by the motor car industry is not over 5 per cent. of the total production of the iron and steel industry of this country. Why should the iron and steel industry, then, have any particular regard for the motor car industry? The railroads, the structural steel users and the bridge builders are the big consumers and their demands must come ahead of the car makers. This fact is recognized by a great many of the motor car men.

The total consumption of steel last year by the motor car industry was not over 1,500,000 tons, whereas the production estimated for 1915 was 31,000,000 tons. One has but to figure it out to see where the motor car industry inevitably must stand in the eyes of the greatest of American industries—iron and steel.

By careful estimate, it was found that one car maker with an output ranking very close to the top, utilized out 10,000 tons per year.

Today it is said that certain of the munitions makers are offering a premium of 2 1-2 cents and more, per pound, for preferred rollings, this over the present market. Think of that point along with the meagre percentage of 5, and you will wonder why the motor car industry is treated as well as it is right now.

An important result of present material conditions and the future outlook is that designers are paying closer attention to weight reduction and better working out of the details of their cars so that every pound of useless weight can be eliminated.

There is also chance for capitalization upon the situation. Supposing a maker has bought farsightedly and advantageously. He can raise price with the present market conditions as an excuse, and thus increase revenue with no added production cost, for the length of his contracts, at least. This, it would seem, he has a perfect right to do, and it is a reward for his buying shrewdness.

One thing seems certain. The makers should tell the public plainly how things stand and frankly meet the issue. Prices logically should be increased if quality is to be maintained, and it is the writer's opinion that the public would rather pay slightly more for the cars than to pay the same or less money for cheapened machines.—Motor Age.

THREE IN AUTO ACCIDENT.

Fayetteville Visitors Injured in Wreck of Car in Town.

Fayetteville, N. C., March 18.—Says The Observer this afternoon:

"About 2 o'clock this afternoon an automobile turned turtle on Person street near the mill of Gilmore-Rankin. The steering gear broke and caused the wreck. The occupants were thrown out and hurt. They were three men: Mr. Sam Odom, of Goldsboro; Mr. W. F. Wade and Mr. Richard Wade, of Dunn. The injured men were carried to Highsmith Hospital. Mr. Richard Wade has probably suffered fracture of the skull, tI is not believed he will recover. Mr. W. F. Wade, father of Strickland, escaped with only bruises. Mr. Odom got his head badly cut. Both Odom and W. F. Wade have left the hospital."

MUCH DYESTUFF FOUND.

Durham Workmen Make Rich Find Clearing Away Old Building.

Durham, N. C., March 18.—Workmen clearing out the old Commonwealth Cotton Mill here, which has not been operated for several years, found today what is said to be worth $11,000 worth of dyestuffs. The building recently was sold to a local realty company.

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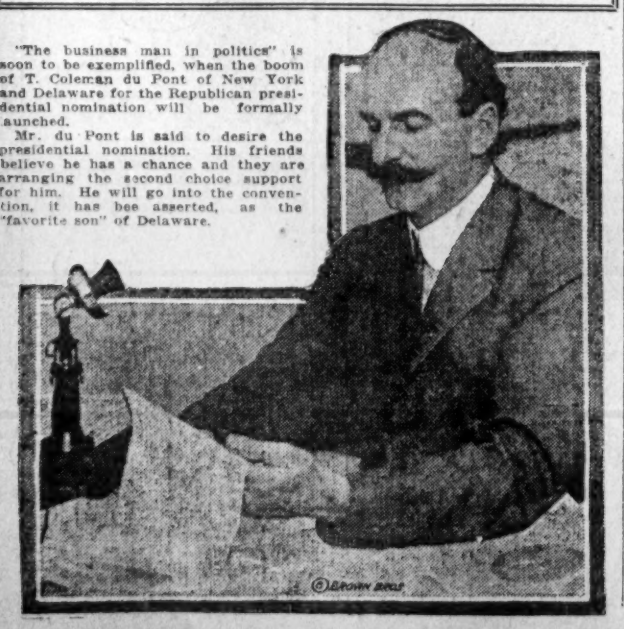

"The business man in politics" is soon to be exemplified, when the boom of T. Coleman du Pont of New York and Delaware for the Republican presidential nomination will be formally launched.

Mr. du Pont is said to desire the presidential nomination. His friends believe he has a chance and they are arranging the second choice support for him. He will go into the convention, it has bee asserted, as the "favorite son" of Delaware.

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NEWSPAPER COST INCREASED BY WAR

New York Sun.

One could scarcely be blamed for jumping at the conclusion and saying, "some distracted housewife has lost her shopping list," upon finding on the sidewalk a scrap of paper on which was scribbled, "blankets, felt, glycerin, rubber blanket, paper and ink, muslin." Nevertheless the finder might be altogether wrong—perhaps the shopping list belonged to the boss buyers for the mechanical department of a newspaper.

Most newspaper readers may wonder what blankets, muslin, felt, rubber sheets and other items that are handy things to have about the house have to do with the mechanical end of a newspaper, but just at this time the buyer who dropped his shopping list has more serious things to wonder about. As the cost of the articles listed and other items too many to mention continues to climb day by day he is devoting what little time he has for subjective exercises to wondering when the boosting of newspaper expenses is going to stop.

Ever since the momentous August of 1914—especially during the past six months—the skyrocketing of the prices of necessities around a newspaper plant has gone on with a beauty of consistency which arouses absolutely no enthusiasm among publishers throughout the country who have to foot the bills. Products essential to the publication of newspapers have jumped in price all the way from 10 or 15 to 3,000 and more per cent.

Prices Going Still Higher.

War, directly or indirectly, is given as the reason for the enormous increase in the publisher's bills. And as war seems likely to continue for some time, so too the market skyrocketing promises to go to heights even beyond the present astounding prices. Nowadays it is next to impossible to obtain market quotations for even so short a time ahead as "next week."

It should be remembered also that concrete instances of the high cost of publishing given here are the lowest prices obtainable, because the publisher buys in large bulk. He cannot cut in quantity — in fact, war and rumors of more war mean the printing of papers far in excess of the output of normal times, which is one, merely one, item of war-time increase in expenses that the thoughtless and uninformed overlook when uttering the fallacy so often heard, "the newspapers want war." And the publisher does not cut in quality of material.

Before the war, to begin with, the important item of tons upon tons of metal used by the stereotyping and linotyping departments in a great metropolitan daily newspaper plant, the metal, which is a composition of lead, tin and antimony, cost 8 1-4 cents a pound. A week ago today it cost 12 1-2 cents during the forenoon. In the afternoon the cost was 13 cents. A few days later last week it was boosted to 13 3-4 cents a pound. And so the kiting goes on, the increase in cost alone amounting to thousands of dollars a year.

The various editions of newspapers cannot, to use a shop expression, be "put to bed" without blanket any more than humans can. And the newspaper presses must have the blankets in summer, as well as winter—rubber blankets that are wrapped around the press rollers first, felt blankets wound around on top of the rubber blankets and clean muslin bandaging covering rubber and felt, this padding being necessary directly under the past moving paper if clean-cut printing is to obtain. Also quantities of the ordinary army blankets must be bought and cut into given sizes for the stereotypers' use.

Rubber Blankets on the Jump.

The increase in the cost of muslin, which the newspapers buy by the pound, has been comparatively slight—only about half a cent a pound more since the ante-bellum days of 1914. The rubber and heavy felt blanketing, however, has been jumped at least 15 per cent. The cost of the army blankets has gone up 20 per cent, the quality of the army blankets at the same time going down.

Press rollers, which are made largely of glue, glycerine and molasses, have gone up, so manufacturers notified the consumers last week, 18 per cent. Glycerine—and the quality used in newspaper plants is not the pure white glycerine one buys in drug stores, but a quality less refined—has taken the flying lead from ante-bellum price of 19 cents a pound to 54 cents.

Only last week also the paper such as is used in the rotogravure section of the Sunday Sun, which then was 8 per cent higher than it was a year or so ago, was jumped to a 10 per cent increase. No pulp is coming into the manufacturers. Mills that not so long ago were selling by the tons are now filling orders for pounds. Rags, which are being bought up by the powder manufacturers eagerly and are needed also by paper manufacturers in a cleaned and more or less sterilized form, are a necessity in the mechanical departments of newspapers. The prices of rags has jumped just 100 per cent, or from 3 cents a pound to 6 cents. Writing paper is an important item in a publisher's paper bill, and it is worth noting that this item has gone up 25 per cent.

But it is when the consumer of anything having to do with dyes or any other department of the chemical section of printing and photographic reproduction goes out with his shopping list that his hair turns gray. Metol, which the art department of a paper cannot get along without, cost $4 a pound before the war. Now it costs $50 a pound. Increases of 1,600 or 3,000 per cent and more loom up all over the chemical section of the printing plant.

Enormous Increase in Ink.

As an ink manufacturer explained a day or two ago, the acids and dyes and everything else used in the colored inks especially have exploded from 300 to 3,000 per cent in a jiffy, once the imports from Germany had been blocked. Blues that cost 58 cents before the war now cost $14 and $15 a pound, with increases in yellows also all the way up to 3,000 per cent. And, what is more of moment, the manufacturers of inks fear that prospects of filling demands in the future look doubtful.

Inks for Sunday lithograph sections have more than doubled in price, with an increase on every quotation for intaglio section inks going on steadily. Even the common black inks are affected because the rubber manufacturers are corralling as much of the carbon as they can and using it in place of zinc and lead, a detail which will account for the preponderance of rubber goods having a black cast, which shoppers soon will find on the market in place of the white-cast rubber they've been accustomed to see in the shops.

Type founders have increased prices 20 per cent, and no let up on the boosting in sight. Gum arabic, necessary in the making of matrices in printing plants, has jumped 100 per cent. And wrapping paper, used in the circulation departments by the tons, costs twice as much as it did before the war, with wrapping rope of sisal, from Yucatan, and jute wrapping ropes and twines, from Calcutta, now selling at an increase almost as great.

DO YOU KNOW THAT

Four per cent of the inhabitants of certain sections of the South have malaria?

The United States Public Health Services has trapped 615,744 rodents in New Orleans in the past 18 months?

The careless sneezer is the great grip spreader?

Open air is the best spring tonic?

Typhoid fever is a disease peculiar to man?

Measles kills over 11,000 American children annually?

There has not been a scingle case of yellow fever in the United States since 1905?

PRIZE WINNERS IN PENDER

Awards of Judges in School Exhibits and Contests at County Commencement.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Burgaw, N. C., March 18.—The judges of the school exhibits in the Pender County Commencement, held here Friday, were Mrs. Hettie E. Fennell, of the Wilmington graded Schools; Miss Lula M. Cassiday, supervisor of schools of Orange county, and Miss Eliza Parker, principal of the Hallsboro High school. They awarded the prizes as follows:

Best general exhibit from a one-teacher school, White Oak.

Best general exhibit from a two-teacher school, Ashton.

Honorable mention of two-teacher schools: 1. Point Caswell, best industrial exhibit. 2. Canetuck, best woodwork 3. North East Academy, excellence and variety of work.

Best general exhibit from a three-teacher school, prize to be equally divided among Watha, Willard and Rocky Point schools.

The pennant for the best general exhibit of any school in the county was awarded to the Ashton school.

Best drawing of school house, Wallace Atkinson, of the Vista school.

Best map of North Carolina, Mollie Raynor, of the White Oak school.

Best sewing exhibit, Ruth Malpass, of Point Caswell school.

Best writing exhibit, Stoney Run school.

Best composition on "The Possibilities of Pender County": (girl) Edna Hall, Vista school. (Boy) George Cowan, White Oak school.

Best language work below the eighth grade, Annie Cottle, of the Bannerman school.

Best article on manual training, boat made by W. J. Ward, Dan Kelly, and Offie Sherman, of the Point Caswell school.

Best dress made by a child, Phedora Bordeaux, of the Herring's Chapel school.

Best general class room work, Bannerman school.

School making the best appearance in the parade, Riley's Creek school. Honorable mention, Bowden and Long Creek schools.

The following schools tied for the prize offered for the largest per cent. of the enrollment in the parade, as every one enrolled in each school was in the parade; Hiley's Creek, Herring's Chapel, Bannermans, and Lillington.

Gold medals were awarded to the following: Best speller, Bertha Merton, of the Hampstead school; best declaimer, Cyrus Rooks, of the Watha school, subject, "The New South"; best reciter, Lucile Johnston, of the Willard school, subject, "Sal's Experience to the Beach."

By winning six of the possible 21 points in athletics, the Watha school won the athletic pennant. This school was also declared the banner school of the county by winning 33 of the possible 100 points in all events.

Honors in the athletic events were awarded as follows:

100-yard dash—Clarence Carter, Vista School.

Sack Race—Everett Brice, Watha School.

Flag Race—Manola Lewis, Riley's Creek School.

Three-Legged Race—Cyrus Rooks, Elbert Anderson, Watha School.

Potato Race—Fred Raynor, White Oak School.

Broad Jump—Bennett Wagstaff, Piney Woods School.

Wheelbarrow Race—Elma Hart, James Fayles, Point Caswell School.

Domestic Arts.

In the Domestic Arts exhibits, first prizes were awarded as follows, all being for best displays:

Light bread, Mrs. Roxie Murray; plain cake, Miss Rosa Sanders; layer cake, Miss V. E. Sanders; apple pie, Mrs. D. D. Sparkman; pan biscuits, Mrs. L. B. Sanders; cocoanut pie, Miss Hand; corn bread, Miss Rosa Sanders; display canned fruits, Miss V. E. Sanders; sour pickles, Mrs. Mangum Moore; sweet pickles, Mrs. W. B. McNeill; display home cured meat, Oaklyn Farm; basket making, Ethel Newton; exhibit of embroidery, Lea Smith; center piece, Sallie Harrel; plain sewing, Nita Hanchey; handsomest quilt, extra special prize, Nita Hanchey.

Farm Products.

In the Corn and Poultry Show, awards of prizes for farm products were made as follows:

Largest ten ears of corn, John Bermillers, first prize; best ten ears prolific corn, Oaklyn Farm, first prize; best ten ears big corn, F. C. Shepherd, first prize; best display of corn, grown by boy under 18 years of age, Johnnie Garris, first prize; best display of hay, W. M. Hand, first prize; Oaklyn Farm, second prize; best all round exhibit from one farm, Oaklyn Farm, first prize.

SPEND WEEK IN BRUNSWICK.

Hon. Q. K. Nimocks to Speak at Southport Tomorrow.

Fayetteville, N. C., March 18.—Hon. Q. K. Nimocks, of this city, candidate for Congress in the Sixth district, will speak in Southport Monday in the interest of his candidacy and will spend next week in Brunswick county. After that he will resume his canvass of Robeson, which he proposes to make a thorough one. The Observer this afternoon says:

"Mr. Q. K. Nimocks returned home from Eladen last night, having been actively canvassing in that county the past week.

"Mr. Nimocks spoke in Elizabethtown Monday to a large crowd, and decided to work in several of the townships not fully covered by his previous trips while in the county."

FOUR ARRESTED FOR MURDER

In Connection With Killing of J. W. Brady at Greensboro.

Greensboro, N. C., March 18.—Four negroes have been arrested in connection with the murder here Wednesday night of J. W. Brady, and are being held pending an investigation. Hospital authorities deny today that Brady's skull was crushed, but said his throat was slashed.

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